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Kowloon Dep.	6.35	8.05	9.35	10.05	11.35	12.05	1.35	2.05	3.35	4.05	5.35
Yau Ma Tei Dep.	6.44	8.14	9.44	10.14	11.44	12.14	1.44	2.14	3.44	4.14	5.44
Shatin Dep.	6.58	8.28	9.58	10.28	11.58	12.28	1.58	2.28	3.58	4.28	5.58
Tai Po Dep.	7.10	8.40	10.10	10.40	12.10	12.40	1.10	2.40	3.10	4.40	6.10
Market Dep.	7.16	8.46	10.16	10.46	12.16	12.46	1.16	2.46	3.16	4.46	6.16
Fauling Dep.	7.25	8.55	10.25	10.55	12.25	12.55	1.25	2.55	3.25	4.55	6.25
Shatin Arr.	7.30	9.00	10.30	11.00	12.30	1.00	2.30	3.00	4.30	5.00	6.30
Shatin Dep.	7.38	9.08	10.38	11.08	12.38	1.08	2.38	3.08	4.38	5.08	6.38
Canton Arr.	12.34	2.04	3.34	4.04	5.34	6.04	7.34	8.04	9.34	10.04	11.34

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Canton Dep.	8.25	9.55	11.25	11.55	1.25	1.55	3.25	3.55	5.25	5.55	7.25
Shatin Dep.	8.33	10.03	11.33	12.03	1.33	2.03	3.33	4.03	5.33	6.03	7.33
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Tai Po Dep.	9.05	10.35	12.05	12.35	2.05	2.35	4.05	4.35	6.05	6.35	8.05
Shatin Dep.	9.14	10.44	12.14	12.44	2.14	2.44	4.14	4.44	6.14	6.44	8.14
Yau Ma Tei Dep.	9.22	10.52	12.22	12.52	2.22	2.52	4.22	4.52	6.22	6.52	8.22
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NEW VIEWS ON MUSICAL MATTERS.

PIANOFORTE PSYCHOLOGY.

USEFUL HINTS FOR SINGERS AND CONDUCTORS.

The falseness of viewing the pianoforte from only one angle was touched upon by Mrs. A. M. Henderson, the pianist and teacher, from Glasgow, at the summer course in music-teaching at Oxford last month.

Beyond the delight of playing the piano well there are many important educational advantages to be derived from the piano studies which are frequently overlooked," she said. "It develops the habit of attention, trains the eyes to see quickly and exactly, trains and co-ordinates the co-ordination between visual impressions and those of touch and between brain and hand; it develops independence of hands and fingers as well as muscle. It also develops co-ordination of thought and intelligence. Some of my most brilliant pupils are students of surgery and anatomy from Glasgow University. Quite apart from their love of music they learn the piano thoroughly in order to develop a more intimate connection between brain and hand for their surgical work.

A Difficult Exercise.

"The study of the piano presents a whole series of phenomena for the educationist and psychologist. Playing a sustained passage with one hand and a toccata passage with the other, for instance, is the equivalent of writing good morning with the right and good night with the left."

To demonstrate the discipline and control required in piano-playing Mrs. Henderson not only played herself but had a map student on the platform turning his leg in one direction and his arm in the other and getting somewhat muddled to the amusement of the other students.

"The idea of freedom and looseness before you can play properly is the fundamental of all piano-playing," she said. "Pianists are the most self-supporting and self-sufficient musicians, since they require no accompaniment like singers and other instrumentalists. The finger touch and arm touch are the primary colours, the red, white, and blue of piano-playing, but naturally we want as many colours as possible in our playing," Mrs. Henderson said.

"The art and science of speaking and reading is not taught soon enough. One and a half hours a week should be devoted to it right from the infants' class upwards. Many people have no voice-training whatever, as is evident when listening to the execrable speech of some of our clergy, while half the teachers leaving training colleges have sore throat in six weeks through sheer lack of knowledge of how to produce their voices."

The Lateness of Singers.

"It was said at this course the other day that singers were the most appallingly ignorant people. That is so. The majority are content with possessing a fine voice and study no farther, but a fine voice is a thing which only lasts a few years, whereas a fine mind, cultivated to think of the meaning and music of the words, lasts for ever. So begin with the fundamentals of your speech and lead up to singing before singing words."

"A singer should read words with significance. Eight people out of ten do not pronounce every letter in every word. That is the reason of our desultory speech as a nation. I do not consider English an attractive language to sing in. The trouble is that we do not sing the English as it is written. In Scotland, on an average, we have much better and finer vowel sounds than in England, but in England we get much better consonants than we do in Scotland. Some think that good speech is a gift of providence. That is not so; it is acquired by real hard work."

Conductors' Remedy for Nervousness.

Husband and wife shared the platform when Mr. A. M. Henderson, organist to the University of Glasgow, lectured on modern pianoforte teaching, and Mrs. Henderson spoke on the art of speaking. "Anyone who can memorise a name and address can memorise music," Mr. Henderson said. "If you can memorise four bars a day then you can memorise a page a week, so having a page of good music in your repertoire at the end of a year."

When Mrs. Henderson took the platform her husband stayed to accompany her in recitations with incidental music. "Speaking is not taught as an art as it should be," she said. "Dialect should be a question for the education authorities and not for individuals. In singing you can not allow any faults of dialect. I do not agree with the idea of children or grown-ups speaking poetry together—although I have heard very pleasing effects—but speech is such a very personal matter, far more so than singing, where you have the composer's definite ideas on the pitch, tone, etc."

Control of Tone Colours.

Interpretation is not only a matter of the heart but of brain. Also we can control our tone colours, which really give meaning to our words just as an organist controls

his stops. Endless and even astounding things can be done with only the mediocre voice. People with good voices are often so content that they do not worry further, with the result that people with mediocre voices who make the best of them, just as plain women make the best of themselves, often come out on top.

There are very few good singers who will last, for the simple reason that they will not spare the time to do the spade work, wanting to sing before their voices are ready. The result is there are more fine instrumentalists than singers these days, but training in speaking will help in singing.

If you have throat trouble, and lose your voice, instead of resting it completely rum up and down just a little. This acts as a kind of massage to the vocal chords, and the voice usually returns quicker than if left alone.

Conductors' Problems.

Dr. Adrian Boult, the conductor and musical director to the B.B.C., solved some of the conductors problems, starting with the choice of music, and arrangement of programmes. Dr. Boult said: "It is not everybody's luck to be able to glance at a composition and know exactly what it sounds like, a good hint is to look at the first dozen bars and the last dozen, and if they are bad it is no use worrying about the rest."

Do everything to avoid that nervous paralysis which creeps over some people at performances. A healthy sort of nervousness is a necessity. No great artist has been able to go on a platform without feeling nervous, but there are the two kinds of nervousness. It is fatal to keep waiting about. The great thing not to do is to arrive too early at the concert hall. Take a little quiet exercise, and think early of the programme before a performance. Although punctuality is important, do not go on the platform before it is necessary, and although the instinct is to fly, or at least, run across it, restrain yourself; keep calm; take some deep breaths, and walk across slower than usual. Deep breathing is most useful both on and off the platform, for calming you down. Then don't be in a hurry to start, wait until the audience settles, and your players are ready, and then with one or two sharp taps of your baton on your desk focus the attention of your performers and audience.

Speaking generally, Dr. Boult said: Get the general grasp of a work first and put in details afterwards. The effect of music on an audience is dependent on the performers' general grasp of the work.

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AGENTS
5, QUEEN'S BUILDING.

Diary of Coming Events.

To-day,
(October 3.)

Queen's Theatre: "Redemption."
World Theatre: "Modern Love."
Star Theatre: "Flash and the Devil."
Majestic Theatre: "The Drag Net."
Central Theatre: "Street Girl."
Bowls and Dinner, Yacht Club, 8 p.m.
Lammert's Auction of Household Furniture, Salesroom, 2.30 p.m.
Dinner Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
European Mail—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Yasukuni Maru), 6 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Hakozaki Maru), 10.30 a.m.

Tides: High, 6.18 a.m. and 6.50 p.m.; Low, 12.01 a.m. and 1.34 p.m.

Saturday,
(October 4.)

Queen's Theatre: "Redemption."
World Theatre: "Modern Love."
Star Theatre: "Flash and the Devil."
Central Theatre: "Street Girl."
Majestic Theatre: "The Drag Net."

Concert at China Light & Power Recreation Club, King's Park, 6.15 p.m.
Golf: Captain's Cup.
Baseball: Japanese v. Texaco.
Cricket: I.R.C. 2nd XI v. R.E. Volunteer Athletic Sports, at K.C.C., 2.30 p.m.
Lawn Bowls: Craigsgower v. Rest of League.
Chinese Harbour Race, North Point, 2.30 p.m.
Football: Division I: Navy v. R.A. Club v. China Ath. Argyle v. Police, 8. China v. Renssela, St. Joseph's v. Kowloon, Division II: Navy v. St. Joseph's, Somerset v. Club, University v. China Athletic, Eastern v. South China, Renssela v. R.A., Kowloon v. Argyle, Division III: R.E. v. Somerset, Fokien v. South China, R.A.F. v. Ewo, R.A.S.C. v. R.A.O.C.

Tea Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.
Dinner Dance, Refulse Bay Hotel, 9 p.m.
European Mail—Inward: Europe via Siberia (Pres. Johnson), Outward: Europe via Siberia (Sinking), 5 p.m.

Tides: High, 7.11 a.m. and 8.53 p.m.; Low, 12.58 a.m. and 2.03 p.m.

Sunday,
(October 5.)

Queen's Theatre: "Redemption."
Central Theatre: "Street Girl."
Golf: Captain's Cup Competition.
Baseball: South China v. Filipinos.
Cricket: I.R.C. v. Mr. W. C. Hung's XI.
Tides: High, 7.59 a.m. and 8.59 p.m.; Low, 1.47 a.m. and 2.34 p.m.

Monday,
(October 6.)

Queen's Theatre: "Redemption."
Central Theatre: "Street Girl."
Hong Kong Philharmonic Society annual meeting, Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.
Golf: Captain's Cup.
European Mail—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Nam Sang).
Tides: High, 8.29 a.m. and 8.08 p.m.; Low, 2.30 a.m. and 3.01 p.m.

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WOMAN'S PAGE.**SOME AUTUMN MODELS. ROUND THE SHOPS.**

[By "EVE"]

Lane Crawford. The great variety in coat fashions this year is amply demonstrated by the new models which have just arrived. Besides the smart tweed models which I described last week, and which have caught on tremendously, there is a host of coats in other materials—tweed coats, sports coats, tailored coats and caped coats. Some are heavily furled at neck and wrist while others are plain almost to severity, but all are very smart. Now silhouettes are achieved by subtle cut and clever flare, nipped-in waistlines accented with narrow belts, capelets, shawl collars and novel godets. In the children's department I noticed some fascinating new hats and coats and a large selection of very pretty but serviceable-looking knitted dresses.

Whiteaways. Now that the winter is approaching, we must be thinking of warmer underwear, and one could not do better than pay a timely visit to Whiteaways. The knickers I saw were in a special quality knitted silk which will stand any amount of wear. Whiteaways have a very large supply in shades of blue, pink, brown, mauve and black. The knitted woollen vests are beautifully soft and guaranteed unshrinkable and show how dainty woollen underwear can be.

In the furnishing department there are some very charming cushions in all shapes and sizes and in many beautiful and durable materials—the very thing to brighten your drawing-room. I saw some most gorgeous down-quilts in a lot of delightful colour effects; one was in a brown and gold brocade, and others in coloured cretonnes—all very bright and cheerful.

Dolly Vardon Hat Shop. It cannot be said that this little salon does not keep up with the times. Every time I pay a visit there seem to be new hats and dresses just arrived from famous American houses. There are some very beautiful models in the latest consignment of autumn hats and suits, and all have that touch of elegance which have come to be associated with the American woman. The "Catalina" and "Mayfair" hats are especially smart, and the new two and three-piece suits with the accompanying coats are the last word. These coats, incidentally, can be bought separately from the suits if desired.

Pioneer. The pyjama sets shown here, are some of the nicest seen this season. Many suits are accompanied with their dressing coats made of material to match. These can also be had in miniature sets for children. The new printed satins in gay designs are seen in profusion. Crepe de chine can be had in a very wide range of colours, and there is hardly any material now on the Pioneer shelves that cannot be exactly matched with a crepe de chine. The new chiffon velvet, which promises to be all the rage this winter, is also well represented, and is shown in a great variety of beautiful and novel designs and shades.

Maison Martin. Evening gowns look gay this season with their bright colours and sweeping floor-lengths. Those in search of smart designs will see some exquisite models at this salon which have been created by this designer. Velvet is being worn very much this season, and there are some very lovely day and evening frocks carried out in plain, chiffon and panne velvets. One delightful model was in panne velvet in a dull green and made in the "princess" lines with cross flairs falling very low. The neck was a simple V and a large flower in the same material is placed at the waistline. With this gown a three-quarters coat is worn, also in the same material; this had a large ruffled collar and long draped sleeves.

Pamela has a very large assortment of velour hoods which can be blocked to suit individual types. These hoods can also be used for men who will be in a position to obtain a good quality velour hat at very moderate prices. Quite a large shipment of jumper suits and dresses and coats for Autumn wear have arrived from Paris. Accessories attain a new importance these days and I found Pamela well stocked with dry and evening bags, gloves, by I and H. Morey, the well known British makers. The sale of summer hats still continues and quite a number of models are being sold for \$3.50.

**THE IMPORTANCE OF
LINE IN DRESS.****THE LARGE FAT FIGURE.**

This figure should be dressed in vertical and diagonal lines, angles, points and corners. Loosely hanging lines, folds and draperies; long skirt lines rising very little below the normal waist. Long sleeves with turn-down cuffs or draperies always. High crowned hats with little brims, upstanding trimmings. Broad, substantial looking shoes, inconspicuous stockings, large square or rectangular bags.

Avoid tightness, skimpiness, slashes, belts, low hip lines, horizontal lines, symmetrical draperies, ornaments in centre of figure, short sleeves, half-length sleeves, short skirts, severe tailor-made, spreading hats (unless the head is small in proportion to the width), flared lines from above the hips, brilliant colour contrasts, hard, stiff materials, light gloves, turn-back cuffs, large patterned fabric jumpers, blouses and skirts, spots, circles, curves and scallops, large beads, cameo brooches or other round ornaments.

The Too Thin Angular Figure. This figure can be given a charming roundness by using curves and circles. The round neck, the soft sleeve with round flouncing, the full skirt with scalloped hem. Printed materials with round patterns. The waist should be in its natural place. Skirts should be full and soft. Collars can have scalloped edges. Turned-back ruffled cuffs will shorten and thicken a long thin

arm. The peasant sleeve, the round shoulder yoke, wide tucks, flares and godets are all softening to this figure.

Avoid tight lines, square lines, angles, hard neck lines, high hat crowns, hard colour contrasts, knitted jumpers (unless loose and light), sleeveless gowns, tight skirt, heavy clinging materials.

Ill-Proportioned Figure. Lines can be used to restore balance to figures. The shoulders can be made to balance the hips. It is important when doing this to decide whether to make one appear smaller to balance the other or vice versa. If, for instance, you widen the appearance of the shoulders which are in good proportion to your height, to balance hips which are too wide, you defeat your object by reducing your height and destroying grace. In this case the hips should be narrowed and the shoulders left as they are.

The Prominent Back. This can be modified by good corseting and posture, then the line should hang straight from the back of the shoulder loosely over of flares, pleats, gatherings or, better still, heavy fringe can be inserted below the line of the greatest size, when it will hang straightly down. Avoid short clothes, tight clothes and belts.

Too Prominent Bust. This will also yield to correct corseting. A long, narrow neck, diagonal line from the right shoulder to the left hip. Loose draperies. Avoid tight clothes, tailored clothes, large brooches, long necklaces, round necks or wide necks.

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WOMAN'S PAGE

HISTORY OF BEADS.

"SOMME THYNG FOR THE NEKKE."

"I pray you," wrote Margaret Paston in 1433, at the end of one of her business-like letters to her right worshipful husband, "that ye will do your best on me, as ye may, to send me some thing for my necke. When the Queen was here, I borrowed my cosyn Cleris deys, for I durst not for shame go with my bare amoug so many fresh janytylwomen as here were at that tyme."

This desire for something new in beads or other "deys" for the adornment of her neck has occupied woman's mind in every age and every country. Excavations have brought to light, amongst other relics of the Bronze Age, necklaces of amber, jet, glass, and bone beads, and others made from shells, that were worn when the bones and dust beside them were fair flesh and blood. Ivory beads made from mammoth tusks, amber brought from the shores of the Baltic—all sources were drawn upon to fulfil that feminine desire for "somme thyng for the nekke."

To-day the desire is just as strong all the world over. The women of one of the most primitive tribes in Central Africa have their own idea of what constitutes a becoming neck ornament. They surround their necks with tight coils of wire, and go on adding coil after coil as the precious wire is acquired, until their necks are permanently elongated in giraffe-like fashion; and no doubt these dusky beauties get as much pleasure from their uncomfortable jewellery as their fairer sisters do from a pearl necklace.

The shops to-day offer delightful "devices" for the neck, from a valuable jewelled chain to a cheap but effective string of beads, of which there is infinite variety. One cannot help casting a pitying thought back to the girl of twenty years ago, in whose eyes beads were little vulgar, and who, when she changed her flannel blouse for her "afternoon" silk one, firmly fastened her lace collar with a solid gold brooch and a chain with a heart-shaped locket attached. Sometimes a long gold chain, weighted with a respectable-sized watch, was added, and, with a couple of fetter-like gold bracelets jingling on her wrists, the girl of that day would descend to her fancywork, pleasantly conscious, like Miss Kilmansegg, of her worth in gold.

Solidity and cash value are not the first considerations to-day; the colour scheme is the point to be considered. The beads must harmonise with the clothes with which they are to be worn, and the modern girl changes her beads as often as she changes her frock. Many people prefer to thread their own, and as one beads over the little trays, making a careful selection from amongst the brilliant blues and greens, brave crimson and opulent golds, the painted wood and the delicate carved ivory, one has a sympathetic hope that Margaret Paston's request was not made in vain, and that Whitbourne found her with a "deys" that compared proudly with those of any "fresh janytylwomen" in whose company she might find herself.

BRITISH WOMEN THE BEST DRESSED.

THE "GREAT URGE" TO BE IN THE FASHION.

The old belief that Frenchwomen are the best dressed women in the world was denied by Mrs. A. Towers Settle, the fashion expert, at the summer school of the Drapers' Chamber of Trade at Girton College, Cambridge, last month.

According to Mrs. Settle, the Englishwoman dresses better than the woman of any other nation.

"Get a Frenchwoman on the golf links or leading an English life," she said, "and she looks like nothing on earth."

There has never been such a diversity of opinion among the great fashion designers as there is this year. Every fashion house is producing something different.

"One day a woman is going to look like the Empress Eugenie and the next day like a pirate with a cocked hat."

"A day or two later she will be seen looking like a Sunday-school girl, and the next day like a highwayman."

Women cannot hope to wear all that is being offered to them this year.

Mrs. Settle went on to say that although a woman cannot liberally buy something that was unbecoming to her, she did want to buy something that would make her

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DAINTY UNDIES SUITABLE FOR THE NEW AUTUMN MODE.

LAUNDERING LINGERIE.

The threads of the lovely crepe-de-Chine undies, after several launderings with soaps containing a great deal of what is called "free alkali," or in washing water which has any chemical in it, begin to weaken and the material soon becomes rotten.

Then, too, if several kinds of tinted garments are all washed in the same water, the delicate shades which one gets in lingerie silk of to-day are bound to go grey-looking.

The secret of washing any silk or crepe-de-Chine lies in three things: First, use plenty of water (two or three bowlsful if necessary, and not too hot). Secondly, wash each garment by itself; and, thirdly, rinse well afterwards in water which has just a little methylated spirit in it (this restores the glossiness to silken threads).

For white crepe-de-Chine or silk, a little borax should be put into all the waters, as this helps to keep the garments snowy; and if there is any doubt about colour "running" in a "figured" silk, put a tablespoonful of vinegar and salt into the cold rinsing water. The salt sets the colour and the vinegar helps to brighten it. And always be sure to fold the material up with a piece of white cloth between each fold, otherwise it is apt to turn brown in the drying.

Black crepe-de-Chine should always be washed with ammonia in the water, as this prevents that unpleasant green hue which so often spoils black underclothes.

Those delightful flowered voiles, which so many women like for summer underwear, also need care in washing, as otherwise they fade. Voiles should never be starched; but, at the same time, the material requires just a little stiffening to make it like new. This can be done with gum-water, three teaspoonfuls to half a pint of water.

friends exclaim, "My dear, you have one of the new coats."

More and more women, she added, bought not because they urgently needed something, nor because what they bought was a pretty thing; they went in for what was fashionable. The great urge that fluttered in a feminine breast was to be in touch with this element of fashion.

Mr. A. E. Cowper, of Messrs. Selfridge & Co., said it often happened that they could not sell goods because they marked them at too low a price. Articles which had no sale because they were too cheap sold readily if taken out of the window and put back again later marked at a higher price.

A SPRINKLING OF FLOWERS.

THE EMBROIDERY VOGUE.

Stuffs this year are in such beautiful colourings and in such varied designs that embroidery seems almost a work of supererogation. It is perhaps because of the vogue for patterns that embroidery is appearing more than usual, and in a style with which it is not usually connected. Jersey is forming the background for embroidery, and jersey of the flecked as well as the plain kind. There are little jersey suits for the warm weather, made in light tones or in various greys, which have coats, embroidered all round the edges in bright colours. Very often floral designs are used, and upon a quiet background there may be a spray of flowers.

Various shades of rather artificial green. Some of the white suits look very gay and pretty with embroidery in green leaves. With the revival of the Empire fashions the green leaves are severely classical and discreet.

Another rather unexpected field for embroidery is found in the white, silk-plated frock, in which the French take delight. This is generally worn with a patent-leather belt in green, scarlet, or white. The white frock is embroidered by hand with bright flowers, such as poppies or cornflowers, and sometimes the two mixed. The flowers are not very large, but they make vivid spots on the dress. Sometimes they are confined to specific spots such as the breast pocket. Sometimes they are scattered about as though the white silk were a cascade. Here there are rather large intervals between, and the flowers are small. Sometimes there is a big one on one hip or the colour is used to emphasize a shoulder or a hip-yoke. Usually a very bright sweater goes with the dress, and scarlet or blue look very well with the flowered embroidery. Little capes are worn with some of the white frocks, and these also offer a field for the path of colour.

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THREE YEARS' FIGURES COMPARED.

The total revenue for the year amounted to \$23,554,475 being \$1,276,875 more than the estimate and \$1,413,024 less than the revenue in 1928. The revenue for 1928 included, however, a sum of \$1,063,358 representing expenditure on loan works during the years 1923 to 1928 which was recovered from the funds of the Public Works Loan (1927).

The completed accounts for 1929 showed that there was a surplus balance of \$9,602,852 which exceeded the estimated surplus by \$1,050,037.

The principal heads showing excess over the estimates were as follows:—
Rent of Government properties, etc. \$101,333
Interest 162,338
Miscellaneous receipts 458,477
Land sales 930,171

The increases in interest and miscellaneous receipts were mainly due to the fall in exchange. Sterling investments and deposits realised during the year showed a considerable dollar appreciation for the same reason.

Revenue derived from land sales for the year was \$1,550,171. Of this sum the Island of Hong Kong was responsible for \$533,537, the balance representing sales in Kowloon and New Territories. These figures indicate in no uncertain terms the rapid development on the Peninsula.

Licences and internal revenue showed a deficit of \$408,585, and fees of Court \$85,535 as compared with the Estimates. Regarding the former the revenue derived from Opium Monopoly and Stamp Duties fell considerably short of the amount estimated.

1930.

When the Estimates for 1930 were revised the Crown Agents' Accounts for the months of May and June were not available; consequently the actual collection for the first half of the year 1930 under the heads Interest, Other Miscellaneous Receipts, Widows' and Orphans' Pensions Contributions are only approximate. The total revenue for the first six months amounts to \$12,317,814 which exceeds six-twelfths of the year's estimate by about \$901,354. The revised estimate revenue for the second half of the year is \$11,748,182 bringing the revised estimated total revenue for 1930 to \$24,065,996 or about \$1,353,080 in excess of the estimate.

Receipts from land sales in the first half-year 1930 amounted to \$1,079,407 and the sum of \$420,593 has been inserted for the second half year, but it is anticipated that this figure will be exceeded if the present active demand for land continues.

Appendix "B" shows the estimated financial position of the Colony at the close of the year 1930. By resolution made and passed by the Legislative Council on June 19, 1930, under the provisions of Section 7 of the Tobacco Ordinance, 1916, certain duties on tobacco were increased.

The Motor Spirits Ordinance passed the Legislative Council on June 20, 1930, introducing duty at the rate of 15 cents per gallon on all light oils lying in stock in the Colony on July 1, 1930, and imported into the Colony on or after that date.

By regulation made by the Governor in Council under Section 3 of the Post Office Ordinance, 1925, the rates of postage were increased from August 1, 1930.

1931.

The Estimates of Revenue for the year 1931 reach a total of \$27,488,759 an increase of \$4,775,839 over the approved Estimates for 1930, an increase of \$3,422,753 over the Revised Estimate for the same year and an increase of \$2,934,284 over the Actual Revenue of 1929.

In anticipation of the increase of 4 per cent. of the rates, revenue under the head Assessed Taxes is expected to yield \$5,665,000 or approximately \$1,410,000 more than the Approved Estimate for the current year.

Amusement Taxes.
It is estimated that a sum of \$300,000 will be paid into revenue in respect of the proposed new Amusement Taxes.
A slight adjustment in school fees should yield an additional \$10,000. Under the former schedule derived from public school fees in 1931 would reach \$105,000 but with the adjustment now proposed the revised estimate for 1931 is \$214,000.

An additional \$330,740 is expected on account of the increase of light dues, while increases in the fees for use of Government buoys, Sunday cargo working permits and other revenue collected through the Harbour Office is expected to yield an additional \$144,832. Revenue from land sales for the years 1928, 1929 and 1930 has exceeded 1½ million dollars each year. It is proposed, therefore, to estimate the revenue under this head for the year 1931 at 1½ million.

It is estimated that amendments in the case of certain fees in the Stamp Ordinance raising receipt and cheque duty to 10 cents and bills of lading to 40 cents together with the revision of the Estate Duties Ordinance, whereby the maximum percentage is raised from 8 per cent. to 12 per cent. should increase the revenue for Stamp Duties, by approximately \$473,000.

For the year 1931 revenue derivable under head "Post Office" is estimated at \$1,380,000 which is an increase of \$300,000 over the Approved Estimate for 1930 and \$120,000 over the Revised Estimate for the same year. The increase is due to the revision in postage rates.

Comparative Table of Revenue.

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1921	\$16,338,350	\$17,723,139
Increases:—Liquor Duties	\$250,637	\$302,301
and Land Sales	\$1,344,097	
1922	\$17,270,260	\$22,291,008
Increases:—Opium Monopoly	\$2,041,308	\$465,675
Stamps	\$360,177	\$465,675
Tobacco Duties	\$360,177	\$465,675
Land Sales	\$1,087,804	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1923	\$19,567,270	\$24,783,703
Increases:—Opium Monopoly	\$2,212,037	\$774,907
Stamps	\$774,907	\$774,907
Land Sales	\$2,688,797	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1924	\$21,369,834	\$24,209,040
Increases:—Opium Monopoly	\$1,047,043	\$465,675
Large Estate Duties	\$504,677	\$465,675
Sale of Shanghai Post Office	\$57,442	\$465,675
Land Sales	\$1,000,236	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1925	\$21,512,700	\$23,244,371
Increases:—Large Deceased Estates, etc.	\$2,331,598	\$2,331,598
Profit on sale of Investments, etc.	\$510,129	
Decreases:—Many large deficits due to Strike and Boycott.		

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1926	\$21,367,743	\$21,311,580
Increases:—Accumulated profits on exchange and profits on the sale of Investments, etc.	\$1,990,361	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1927	\$21,007,307	\$21,344,537
Increases:—Improved trading conditions; Opium \$344,271; Local War Loan Sinking Fund surplus, etc.	\$308,712	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1928	\$20,103,300	\$24,068,309
Increases:—\$1,063,358 recovered from Public Works Loan (1927); Licences and Internal Revenue	\$517,790	\$1,485,236

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1929	\$22,275,600	\$23,554,475
Increases:—Interest \$182,837 due to higher rates of interest and increased Surplus Funds. Other Misc. Receipts \$448,225 due to Unclaimed balances (\$168,594) and depreciated exchange and appreciation on Sterling Investments. Land Sales \$930,171.		

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1930	\$22,712,020	\$24,065,996 (Revised)
Postage Stamps increased, Motor Spirit duties introduced 1.7.30 Tobacco Duties increased.		

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1931	\$27,488,759	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1929	\$23,554,475	\$23,554,475
Expenditure	1,984,237	
Surplus	\$1,571,238	
Balance of Assets 1929	\$6,001,433	
Balance of Assets 1930	\$9,602,852	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1930	\$24,065,996	\$24,065,996
Expenditure (estimated)	29,303,500	
Deficit	\$4,237,504	
Balance of Assets 1930	\$9,602,852	
Balance of Assets 1931	\$5,425,351	

	Estimated Revenue.	Actual Revenue.
1931	\$27,488,759	
Expenditure	29,790,700	
Balance	\$3,717,311	

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Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for seven defendants, employees in No. 62, while Mr. A. Covey appeared for five *fokis* of No. 68. The ninth defendant was not legally represented.

After the fourth defendant had given his evidence, his Worship intimated that he would adjourn for a while to go over the evidence, and when the Court was resumed, he said:—

"I have gone very carefully over the evidence and I am forced to the conclusion that the No. 68 people were the aggressors. The No. 62 people, however, were obviously expecting an attack and I hold that they were preparing for the attack by fortifying the rice shop. Whether that was the right thing to do or not is rather doubtful to say. Some people say that to be prepared for war by preparing defensive measures delays war. Others say that by adopting such methods war is hastened on, but whatever the case, it is clear that if their idea was to set up a fortification in front of the shop, it was not the correct thing to do. The correct means was to have invoked the aid of the police."

"The No. 62 people said that when they were apprehensive of an attack, they applied to the police for protection. In the evidence there are indications that the people of No. 62 were hard or less in touch with the police. I think if they had been concerned a little bit more with applying to the police instead of throwing soda bottles about, the fight would have been over much earlier. I find that there is practically no evidence against certain of the defendants, therefore they must be discharged."

Six defendants were accordingly discharged, while six others were severally bound over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for 12 months. The fourth defendant, in addition to being bound over in a similar sum for the same period, was also fined \$50.

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INMATES ANTICIPATE THE VISIT.

Revenue officers under Mr. H. A. Taylor, acting Superintendent of Imports and Exports, raided a native wine retailer's shop at 141, Third Street, West Point, and discovered a large quantity of dutiable liquor.

The inmates, however, had anticipated the visit and disappeared, the only person found on the premises being a bed-ridden man, described as an assistant cook, who was unable to give any information about the matter. Two Chinese officers were left on the premises to await developments, but nothing transpired, and they had to be withdrawn.

On an application made by Mr. Taylor at Central Magistracy yesterday, Mr. Lindsell ordered the confiscation of 150 gallons of wine seized in the raid.

WORLD'S BASEBALL SERIES BEGINS.

PHILADELPHIA ATHLETICS WIN FIRST GAME.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 1. President Hoover was among the 40,000 spectators at the opening game of the world's baseball championship series to-day, the contestants being Philadelphia Athletics, winners of the American League pennant, and the St. Louis Cardinals, who emerged triumphant in the keen final battle for the National League title.

Queues of enthusiasts formed at the ground forty-eight hours before the gates were opened.

Seven games are scheduled, the championship being decided when either of the teams wins four games.

Philadelphia scored the initial win, defeating the Cardinals by five runs to two, and incidentally creating a series record by scoring five hits from the Cardinals' pitcher, all for extra bases, all being converted into runs.

The second game of the series will be played to-morrow.

PASSENGERS.

Departures.

The following passengers left yesterday by the R.M.S. Empress of Japan: Capt. and Mrs. F. Burt, Master Burt, Miss M. J. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Blok, Miss M. H. Bergstrom, Miss G. Beltrami, Mr. E. W. Brodwith, Dr. and Mrs. N. W. Chockson, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Currie, Mr. H. L. Dababio, Sister M. de la Faith, Mr. F. R. Frompel, Mrs. L. F. Griffiths, Mr. V. Gordon, Mrs. P. Grey, Mr. E. E. Hodges, Mr. T. G. Hitt, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hickling, Mr. A. F. Jenkins, Miss H. and Mr. J. Jackin, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kirby, Mr. E. Leon, Mr. E. D. Lawrence, Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Munger, Mr. J. W. Miller, Miss E. Mantz, Mr. and Mrs. G. Mulder, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Minier, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Noronha, Mr. and Mrs. A. Nummikhoven, Mr. P. B. Purvis, Mr. J. A. Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. S. Pinna, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Peters, Miss L. M. Remedios, Miss O. Richards, Miss P. Regan, Mrs. A. Ritchie, Mrs. R. M. Strong, Mrs. A. G. Spittles, Mr. V. Sedoff, Mr. J. Skvifka, Mr. J. Tutchings, Mr. and Mrs. R. Wilbur, Mr. J. C. Webster, Mr. J. C. Warren, Mr. V. N. Wardcopper, and Mr. L. Yates.

THE SILVER SCREEN.

"STREET GIRL" AT THE CENTRAL.

Local audiences last night saw tenso drama rollicking comedy, and gay music successfully combined when "Street Girl," Radio Pictures' enjoyable musical drama opened at the Central Theatre.

"Street Girl" will appeal to almost any type of audience. It has everything that goes to make up the perfect entertainment. Betty Compton capably plays the lead as an appealing little violinist and entertainer in a New York East Side cafe. She really plays the violin, and does it most satisfactorily.

One of the high spots of the show is the comedy furnished by probably the best combination of comies ever presented in a picture. Jack Oakie, Ned Sparks and Joseph Cawthorne, all familiar to musical comedy and motion picture audiences, got every laugh possible from June Murfin's sparkling dialogue.

It is a sincerely-told little story that Wesley Ruggles directed, concerning the struggles of a little band of musicians to climb to prominence out of a small cafe. Love interest is appealingly furnished by Miss Compton and John Harron.

"PARAMOUNT ON PARADE."

Eighteen starring interludes, each an intimate show in itself, makes Paramount's festival of the stars, "Paramount on Parade," one of the most enjoyable entertainments ever shown in Hong Kong. Patrons who attend the Central Theatre next week, to see "Paramount on Parade," will be literally guests at a big Hollywood party.

The film frolic was in production for several months. All possible varieties of entertainment are included—comedy, drama, music, singing, dancing and romance. Nearly every star and featured player is seen in some intimate and enjoyable bit.

Intimacy is the keynote of the entire show. Elsie Janis, famous stage star and director, who supervised the production, describes the picture "as a party of the stars." She endeavored to make it a personal, face-to-face, enjoyment in which the audiences could join the screen favourites in making "whoopie."

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Commercial news.
11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.—Chinese programme.

12.30 p.m.—European programme.

1.30 p.m.—Weather report.

4 p.m.—Close down.

5 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.

7 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records selected and supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

Orchestral and Band Selections.

"Maritana"—Overture (Wallace).

"Columbia Symphony" Orch.

"Mazurka" (Tchaikovsky).

Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

"Classical Memories"—Debroy Somers Band.

"Martial Moment"—March Medley—Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

7.30 p.m.—From the Studio:—The Rev. R. H. Wells will give the sixth of the series of lessons on "Cantones for Everyone."

Vaudeville.

"When My Dreams Come True."

"Let You Forget"—Norah Blaney, Soprano.

"We're All Happy"—and We're Uncomfortable.—The two Gilberts, Comedians.

"Exactly Like You"—and "On the Sunnyside of the Street."

Florence Oldham, Comedienne.

"What Are You Going to do To-night Mary?" and "What Can You Do Without Monday?"

Tommy Headley, Comedian.

"Side by Side"—Norman Long, Entertainer.

8.30 p.m.

Musical Comedy.

"The Three Musketeers"—Denis King, Baritone, with chorus.

"A Country Girl"—Vocal Gems—Columbia Light Opera Co.

"The Geisha"—Selection—Band of H.M. Royal Air Force.

"The Ball of New York"—Vocal Gems—Columbia Light Opera Co.

9 p.m.—Weather report, local time and Press news.

Studio Concert.

A concert by the following Portuguese artists:—Mrs. A. W. de Rosa, Mezzo Soprano; Miss Elsa D. Alves, Light Vocalist; R. Remedios, Pianist.

10.20 p.m.—Close down.

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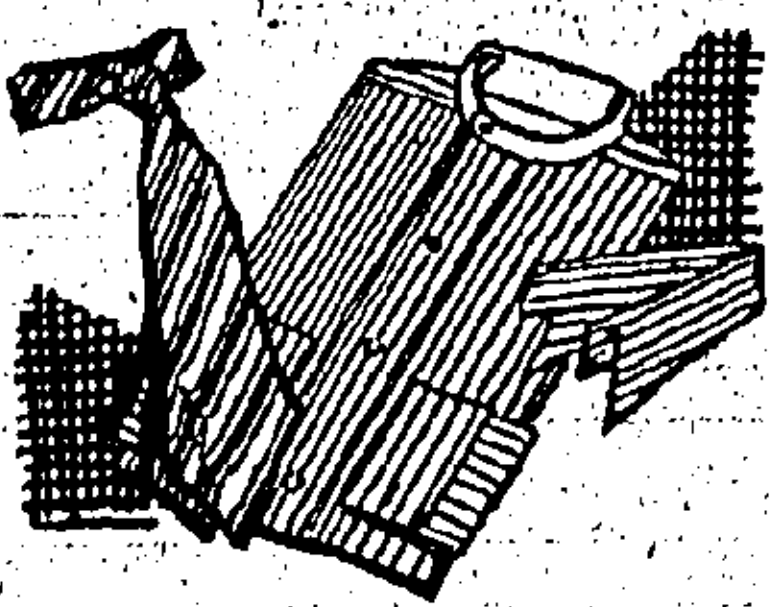
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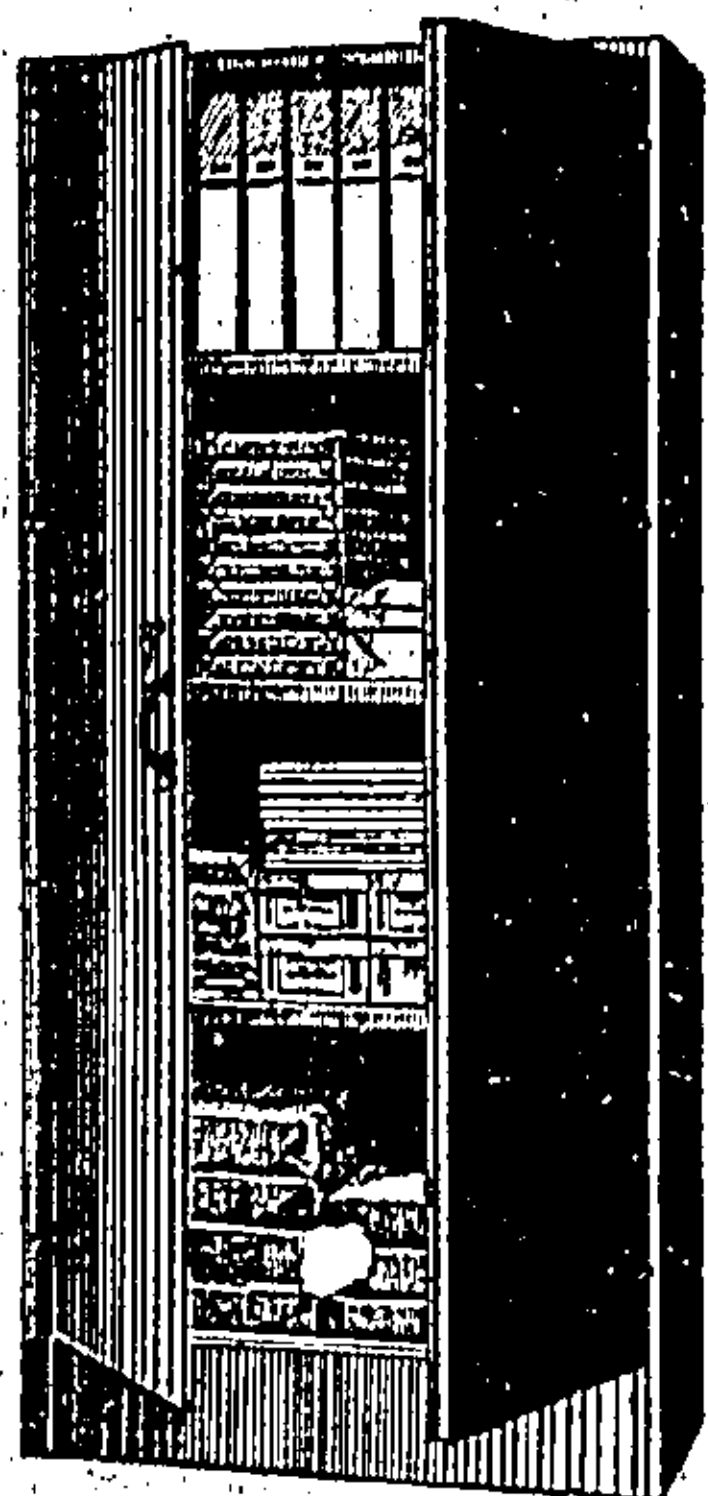
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THE BUDGET FOR 1931 INTRODUCED.

DEFICIT OF TWENTY-THREE LAKHS.

COLONIAL SECRETARY ON GRAVITY OF FINANCIAL
SITUATION.

DRASTIC CUTS IN PUBLIC WORKS.

In a speech lasting almost an hour, the Hon. Colonial Secretary yesterday introduced the Budget for the year 1931 asking for a sum of \$23,305,335. In the course of his speech the Colonial Secretary said that the Budget was seriously influenced by three main considerations—the fall in exchange, the revised salaries, and the Retrenchment Commission.

The estimated expenditure for the coming year was placed at \$29,787,356 and estimated revenue at \$27,488,759, which would show a deficit of \$2,298,596.

The Colonial Secretary indicated that drastic reductions had been made in the estimates in connection with Public Works. He drew attention to the gravity of the financial situation, but at the same time added that he felt that a revival of better conditions within measurable time was inevitable. It was indicated that assessment rates would be increased by four per cent. In this connection, it was pointed out that the Colony was still one of the lightest taxed places in the world.

INCREASE IN ASSESSMENT RATES.

In introducing the Budget, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.B.E., G.M.C., Colonial Secretary, said:—

Sir,—I rise by Your Excellency's command to move the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding twenty-three million three hundred and sixty-five thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars to the public service of the year 1931."

In preparing the Budget which is now before the Council the Government has had to take account of a number of factors which are new. First and foremost must be ranked the world-wide trade depression the effects of which it is impossible to escape. It has taken just over ten years for the full effect of the enormous wastage of material, the destruction of millions of the world's best producers, and above all the almost complete stagnation for four and a half years of productive industry, which were the chief economic features of the Great War, to make themselves felt. Until fairly recently the war's legacy of living on capital and on credit produced something like prosperity. But it is now clear that the world is at last having to face hard economic facts and to make good by a general decrease in the standard of living for its years of living on an over-draft. Hong Kong was as little affected by this war as any place in the world, and it appears that the Colony has been up to the present less affected by the universal depression than most places. But it would none the less be idle to suppose that we are or can be permanently untouched by that depression. To this world depression must be added the more direct effect on the Colony of the very disheartening continuation of the civil war in China. A new rearrangement of party leaders seems now to be emerging, but a sound basis for lasting peace has yet to be found.

Retrenchment Committee. But, the special effort at retrenchment of personnel now required needs close and prolonged study, with a perspective not limited to the inside of Government offices; and the Retrenchment Commission as constituted is particularly well qualified for this work, and can be depended upon to do it thoroughly. Questions of personnel have therefore largely been left over for the time; but new appointments have been avoided, and limited contracts are not being extended to permanent service, wherever it has been possible to follow this line. And meanwhile close touch is being maintained with the Retrenchment Commission.

Retrenchment on other heads of expenditure, however, is another matter; as hon. members will have occasion to notice when I come to deal with Public Works Recurrent and Public Works Extraordinary especially.

I should like to dispel at this stage any idea that the duty of retrenchment is in any way the prerogative of a commission specially appointed for this purpose. Every year the smallest details of each department's estimates are scrutinised with the greatest care before they are allowed to be included in the Budget, and any items which in the light of past expenditure appear excessive are reduced. Nor do I think I am wrong in saying that every head of department considers it his primary duty to give the taxpayer the best value for his money consistent with efficiency.

At the same time it is only natural that Government activities should expand when revenue is coming in well. And in hard times like the present the urgent necessity of balancing the Budget calls for something more than the ordinary processes of scrutiny. For this reason the Government, as my predecessor said in this Council on the 19th of June, will be delighted if the recommendations of the present Retrenchment Commission make it possible to effect any considerable economies in the business of running the Government.

Expenditure. The total expenditure for 1931 is estimated at the figure of \$29,787,356, which exceeds the total in the Bill now before the Council by the sum of \$6,482,550, this being the estimated amount of the military contribution on the 1931 revenue (\$4,784,200) and the charges on account of public debt (\$1,698,350). The revenue total is \$27,488,759, and it therefore appears that the Budget has been prepared with the possibility of having to face a deficit of \$2,298,596 at the close of the coming year. Not too favourably a position, admittedly, but in all the circumstances not one that need occasion alarm. It will be remembered that for the current year the estimated deficit amounted to approximately four and a half millions.

Appendix A attached to the Treasurer's memorandum on revenue shows that our surplus balance at the end of the current year is estimated at \$5,425,351. While our balances can stand the strain of the estimated deficit for 1931, they are being reduced to too low a figure. It is hoped, however, that as a result of the Retrenchment Commission's work and of the possible revival of trade, of which there are already signs, the deficit next year may prove less than is shown in the Estimates.

major part of the work of the Commission should be a consideration of the personnel, and confusion might well have resulted if the same work had been led from opposite sides. Obvious reductions of course the Government was ready to make, and wherever possible re-arranging arrangements already made have been cancelled and development which could by any reasonable means be postponed has been suspended with a consequential reduction of the extra staff that would have been required.

It will be noted that the total expenditure for 1931 exceeds the revised estimate for the current year by a sum of \$1,484,353 in spite of the drastic cuts to which reference will be made later. The value of these cuts is more than counterbalanced by the lower value of the dollar (1/4d. as against 1/10d.) and the increase of some \$500,000 in the Military Contribution. It should be mentioned that the alteration in salaries resulting from the Salaries Report affects both years equally.

The copies of the estimates now in the hands of Hon. Members are very fully detailed and annotated, and, leaving salaries on one side, few departures exist in the direction of savings from the 1930 estimate will be found. There are, however, a few details which will require further explanation to which I will shortly refer. But first I would draw attention to the summaries which are now, as requested by the unofficial members last year, added to each departmental estimate showing as near as may be the total cost of each department.

Details of Estimates. Head 1. H.E. the Governor contains an addition of \$2,500 under the sub-head "Flying Club," in order to duplicate certain articles which at present have to be frequently conveyed between Mountain Lodge and Government House. This method is entirely uneconomical and the expenditure now asked for may be expected to justify itself in a short time by saving constant transport costs.

Head 2.—Cadet Service shows a disproportionate increase over 1930 owing first to the accidental fact that a larger number than usual of unpassed Cadets (six as against a normal two) are expected to pass their final examinations during 1931, and secondly to the increase on the recommendation of the Salaries Commission, of the number of Class I posts from five to seven. One retirement is anticipated and one new Cadet has been asked for in the forthcoming competitive examination, as it was too late to cancel the advertised vacancy when the Retrenchment Commission had begun its work. Hon. Members will in the course of these and other sterling salaries bear in mind that the 1930 figures as printed under the various heads were considerably supplemented from the miscellaneous services vote "High Cost of Living Allowance," which no longer appears in the 1931 Estimates.

Head 3.—Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff shows as regards the graded staff no change in the total number of posts. But a reference to the personal emoluments sub-head of the Imports and Exports Office (head 10) and of the Supreme Court (head 12) will show a reduction of two posts; against that reduction, however, two additional posts of stenographer who are urgently required have been inserted for approval.

Eight New Posts. Head 4.—Junior Clerical Service similarly shows the same figures as in 1930, but eight posts of computers to the Royal Observatory have been transferred to the Royal Observatory head, as the work was too specialised for inclusion in the Junior Clerical Service. Generally the maintenance of the same total therefore implies an increase of eight posts, which is considered necessary, as this branch of the service has been very short, handed in 1930, and if work is not to be seriously hindered this increase is the minimum required. The distribution as at present estimated of these two clerical services is shown in Appendices I and II.

Head 5.—Colonial Secretary's Office. An addition of \$500 to the vote for cleaning of offices is asked for in order that proper supervision may be afforded to this work.

Head 6.—Treasury. The post of Deputy Treasurer, a temporary one, an Hon. Member has asked, and will disappear in the course of next year.

Head 11.—Post Office. The considerable increase in transit charges of \$40,000 is due to the new international rates of carriage of mails, and to the depreciation of the dollar. The new postage rates are an offset to this, but I can assure Hon. Members that they are getting their money's worth and more every time they post a letter to England via Siberia.

Head 12.—Harbour Department. A small launch as replacement is asked for by the Police for work in shallow waters on the frontier. The only other launch included is a tug for the Sanitary Department's refuse disposal, but it is intended not to authorise the expenditure, if now generally approved, without further reference to the Council. Departments asked for a number of other launches, but it is anticipated that retrenchment of launches generally by means of a redistribution of duties may be possible in the course of 1931.

Aviation Subsidy. Head 13a.—Air Services. A reduced subsidy of \$50,000 for commercial aviation has been included, as none of this year's vote of \$100,000 has so far been used. It is anticipated, however, that there may before long be a forward movement in this respect and Government will be prepared to come to the Council for further funds if the case for an increase of the subsidy can be made good. The salary of the Superintendent of Aerodrome is inserted on the new Salaries scale. I regret an error which appears under Head 13a Air Services on page 34 of the printed Estimates. Sub-head 6, an item of special expenditure entitled "Initial Grant to Flying Club," for which \$60,000 was voted in 1930, should under 1931 show "nil," which is a non-recurrent item. This will reduce the expenditure for 1931 by this amount. The remark in brackets "\$300,000 in five years" was erroneously printed in the 1930 estimates and by an oversight perpetuated this year.

Head 14.—Royal Observatory. A new post for a stone polisher in connection with lithographic work is asked for.

Head 15.—Fire Brigade shows a reduction in drivers and firemen, and the Special Expenditure, which has in recent years been considerable, has been cut down to a minimum, but there is no reason to think that efficiency has been in any way endangered.

Head 22.—Police Reserve Force. I would draw attention to the new sub-division "Anti-Piracy Guards" under Personal Emoluments (\$1,234 in all) with a corresponding sub-head (\$24,000) under Other Charges, making a total of \$115,234. Hon. members are aware of the new system under which these guards are now operated, and I will deal with the method of financing it when I come to the new revenue sub-head opened for this purpose.

Apart from this the Police Estimates call for no special remark except that small additions to the numbers of constables under all the contingents except European (which shows a decrease of 8) have been entered.

Head 24.—Prisons Department. A hydro-extractor is asked for in connection with the laundry, which is one of the chief industries in Victoria Gaol. Personal Emoluments show an addition of one line-type operator for the new machine.

Grant to Leprosy Asylum. Head 25.—Medical Department. Many desirable expansions have been unavoidably deferred and the only important additions are the proposed motor dispensary for the mainland and the provision of equipment and staff for the new maternity block at Kowloon Hospital. A grant to the Sheklong Leprosy Asylum, which is desirable in view of the use which the Colony makes of this Institution, has been inserted. The personnel of the department remains almost as on the 1930 basis. It is not proposed to fill the post of secretary to the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services. Detail Surgeon and Dental Surgeon, for which provision was made in the current year's estimates.

Head 26.—Sanitary Department. Here it has been impossible to maintain literally the 1930 basis. Engineers and attendants are necessary for new bath houses, drivers for new motor vehicles and steersmen and bargemen for new refuse barges. Hon. Members are already aware of the need for the meat porters in connection with the Sanitary Board's policy for conveying all meat from slaughter house to market stalls. A reduction in the number of cleansing coolies is shown. Under Special Expenditure the Board's recommendations have been inevitably cut down to the minimum necessary for a continuation of its efficiency. The motor cars included for approval are to replace two departmental vehicles which have for some years been in a state of dissolution and are now past work.

Head 27.—Botanical and Forestry Department calls for a new post of storeman which is considered essential.

Head 28.—Education Department. Subsidies to Elementary Vernacular Schools have been reduced of necessity and various other sub-heads of Other Charges show reductions.

Head 29.—Public Works Department. A number of officers whose duties are entirely connected with loan works have been taken out of the departmental estimates; details appear in Appendix VII. The two additional staff asked for in the Waterworks Inspectors whose appointments have already been approved by the Finance Committee.

Drastic Reductions in P.W.D. The posts of four engineers and four overseers which became vacant this year through retirements, etc., have not been filled and no provision is made for them in 1931. Estimates in view of the smaller programme of work.

Head 30.—Public Works Recurrent. Drastic reductions have been made, as will be observed, in almost every item of this vote. The Colony has for long been accustomed to very high standards from the Public Works Department; but, with the devil of necessity driving it, it is felt that a margin of efficiency can still be secured at a lower cost, though perhaps a reduction of the finish that adorns the department's work may be necessitated.

Head 31.—Public Works Extraordinary. Here again the utmost possible economy has been enforced, and most of the expenditure is in the nature of commitments for works already in hand. We cannot call an absolute halt in the matter of development, but when the business of balancing the Budget was taken in hand it was clear that expenditure under this head beyond a figure of two and a half million dollars simply could not be contemplated and the Director of Public Works has drawn up his programme, or rather cut it down with this figure in his mind; his customary memorandum on the subject is in the hands of Hon. Members. Many desirable items have been deferred, such as markets and latrines asked for by the Sanitary Board, the C. block of Kowloon Hospital, postal developments in the Kowloon Peninsula and of course road extensions. The drastic nature of the cuts made will be realised when I state that the total of the suggestions, requirements and demands received from all departments under this Head reached a figure exceeding ten million dollars, and the average allocation in the Estimates for the past five years has been over \$3,034,000, though the provision has not usually been expended. No doubt members of this Council will miss from the completed list one work or another which they would have liked included, and equally no doubt variations of the list which would remain "just as good" are possible; but the programme now before you represents the best effort of the Government after very careful consideration of detail to fashion its cost according to the attenuated supply of cloth available. It will be no sorry task, but it is hoped to prove a useful working garment.

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Kowloon-Canton Railway.

Head 32.—Kowloon-Canton Railway. Considerable reductions are shown under Other Charges, and the only special expenditure item calling for remark is the rebuilding of Sheung Shui Station, which had to be rebuilt or abandoned. The increase in engine drivers under E. 3-1-1 has already been approved by Finance Committee. Under E. 4-9 six more men are needed for the Central Mechanical Works.

Head 33. A.—Volunteer Defence Corps.

Shows considerable decrease in Other Charges and less special expenditure than usual.

Head 34.—Miscellaneous Services. The grants to the Civil Service Cricket Club, to the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and for the proposed History of Hong Kong constitute commitments which have already been approved by Finance Committee, as also has the increased subsidy for broadcasting. It has been necessary to insert a sum of \$30,000 for the decennial census due next year, and a lump sum of \$50,000 for the Chinese New Year bonus recommended by the Salaries Commission. A new sub-head "acting pay" has been entered. This expenditure has as a rule been met from the lapsing pay of each department, but the creation of the new sub-head is considered to be in better order. The general subsidy to the University has been put at the revised 1930 figure of \$350,000 for which approval was recently obtained in this Council.

Head 35.—Charitable Services.

Only two additions are made, both of which I am sure will be acceptable to hon. members viz. grants to the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital and to the Salvation Army.

Revenue Estimates.

I now turn to the Estimates of Revenue. The Treasurer has prepared his usual memorandum on revenue covering the three years 1929, 1930, and 1931, and copies of this are in the hands of hon. members; and he shows the additional taxation already imposed in 1930, namely, the new tobacco duties, increased rates of postage, and the tax on petrol, and the estimated return from the economic duties in 1931. In spite of the estimate of expenditure which has been prepared, the causes referred to at the beginning of my speech render further taxation inevitable to reduce to reasonable dimensions the gap between the estimated revenue and expenditure for 1931. How to ensure that the incidence of new taxes will be such as can most easily and fairly be borne by the Colony has received the most careful consideration, and I trust that hon. members will agree that the Government's proposals in this respect should be adjudged equitable and as little burdensome as it is possible to make them. The amusement tax, which was foretold by my predecessor in this Council on the 10th of June, is expected to produce some \$300,000. Further, it is proposed to increase the use of Government boats for the purpose of carrying cargo (which now costs at ships of 2,000 tons only, and to bring the method of signing ships' crews on or off into consonance with that in force in other parts of the Empire, and legislation to this end will be proposed before the end of this year. The total increased return is expected to approximate to \$384,000. The Government is loath to take any step that increases the charges on the shipping companies in the majority of cases either operate on a gold basis, or have increased their dollar charges. The present light and other dues were imposed when the dollar was worth something about double its present value, so that the proposed increases cannot be regarded as other than fair and equitable.

Assessment Rate Increase.

But the most important item in the Government's programme for raising additional revenue is the proposal to increase the General Assessment Rate by 4 per cent. This is the fairest in its incidence of all forms of direct taxation, and is the easiest and the most economical to collect. Extra taxation being unavoidable early examination of this source was equally so, and it could not help but be selected. I would remind hon. members that the extra rate was 7 per cent. during the war period, and even if the Government had to reimpose this figure now—reference which it is hoped to avoid—reference to Mr. Southern's speech in this Council on the 10th of June will show that we would still remain a highly taxed community in comparison with our neighbours in the East, or indeed with almost any other community. All taxa-

tion is distasteful, but it is hoped that hon. members will agree that this ingredient in the medicine we must necessarily take for our condition has been correctly prescribed.

The Government further proposes in accordance with a recommendation of the Board of Education to raise slightly the fees for some of the higher classes in the public schools, to increase certain stamp fees, notably those on receipts, cheques and bills of lading, and to increase the maximum percentage of death duties.

I may say that in raising the stamp fee on receipts Government proposes to raise the amount which is exempted from a stamp is allowed to \$20. This will provide a measure of relief in the case of small amounts.

Anti-Piracy Guards.

One head of revenue calls for further notice. The contributions from shipping companies for anti-piracy escorts (which are not liable to Military Contribution) are estimated at a total of \$143,272, and as the expenditure under Police Force is put at a total of \$116,224, it would seem at first sight that the Government actually proposes to profit from this source to the extent of \$27,000. The contributions, however, were fixed to cover a number of items for which Government accepts the liability—such as pensions, gratuities and passages where payable, and also overhead charges which would require an elaborate system of accounting to separate from the general Police estimates which will bear them. The figures of the contributions have been agreed with the companies concerned.

One observation it is perhaps desirable to make before leaving Revenue. It will be observed that under licences and internal revenue the head "carriage, etc., licences" has now been altered to the head "vehicles" with sub-divisions for the various classes of vehicles.

For information on the general financial state of Colony, I refer hon. members to appendices IV. to VI. of the draft estimates which contain very full statements of the position.

Loan Account.

I now turn to the Loan Account. The appendices show the present position as regards the 1927 Public Works Department Loan, which is due for repayment in 1932, and it is clear that in the course of the coming year the floating of a fresh loan must be contemplated for the repayment of certain sums amounting to some two million dollars already owed to surplus balances for loan works and for a start to be made on certain other important works which it is hoped to finance by those means. A new loan and a new Government Civil Hospital are such works; the expenditure on ferries is already included, though more discussion of this matter will be necessary before Government can consider expenditure beyond the \$1,500,000 requirement for the piers. I may add that in regard to the Government Civil Hospital and water schemes, it is proposed to apply for some assistance from the Colonial Development Fund.

While the gravity of the financial situation as shown by these estimates is clear to see I should like to end in a more cheerful strain. The Colony is, as has so often been said, lightly taxed and will still be so after the 1931 rate increase. The dislocation occasioned by the rapid drop of some 8d. in exchange was a disaster. But now that the first shock is over, and as I am informed, is showing some signs of settling down again. Money is easy by reason of the glut of silver and there should be no difficulty in financing a loan on easy terms when the time comes. The share market indicates that commercial undertakings are expected to prosper. Land sales are at a high level and on all hands we see building in progress. And the Colony has the legacy of many fat years in the way of fine roads, substantial buildings and solid harbour assets. It would be idle to deny that there must be some anxiety about the immediate future, but a revival, and within a men'surable time, is inevitable; and once the opportunity for which they are daily waiting is afforded, the wonderful recuperative power of the Chinese race will make the recovery a rapid one.

Debate on October 16.

The Colonial Secretary's speech was seconded by the Hon. Mr. O. M. Messer, and His Excellency the Governor then indicated that the debate on the Budget would take place on October 16.

JUVENILE COURTS.

GOVERNMENT APPROVES DR. KOTEWALL'S MOTION.

QUESTION OF FINANCE DEFERRED.

That there was great need in the Colony for a court to try juvenile offenders was stressed by Dr. R. H. Kotewall at a meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday.

The motion that steps should be taken by the Government to institute such a court was well-received, and was duly adopted. The question as to finance was raised by the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, and in this connection, the Government promised to give the matter very careful consideration.

Dr. Kotewall in proposing the motion said:—

That in the opinion of this Council steps should be taken by the Government to institute Juvenile Courts, where offenders under the age of sixteen can be separately tried, with a view to the early establishment of some training institutions where such offenders can be segregated after conviction.

At a meeting of this Council held on June 10 last I asked certain questions relative to this subject, and the answers given by the Government have revealed a state of affairs which shows that in the matter of the treatment of juvenile offenders we are much behind the times.

An Unsatisfactory System.

According to these answers, children under the age of sixteen, whilst being detained in custody awaiting trial, are detained with adult offenders and, when brought before the Magistrate, are placed in the dock with adult offenders. The Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, my qualified friend, in his question on this subject, has pointed out that "in cases where bail has been found for the juveniles charged, are not detained and, when brought before the Magistrate, are not placed in the dock." Those familiar with the practice of our police-courts know that this procedure applies not only to juvenile offenders but also to every adult defendant who is granted bail, even if he is charged with a serious offence.

My other questions have elicited the fact that during 1929, 985 boys and 137 girls, all under the age of sixteen, were brought before the Magistrate; and that of these numbers 268 boys and seven girls were charged with felonies, 377 boys and 73 girls with hawking, and 340 boys and 87 girls with other offences. Of these young persons charged, 131 boys and five girls were sent to prison, and 433 boys, of whom 122 were convicted of hawking without a licence, were ordered to be whipped.

Conditions Which Call for Remedy.

These figures and the other particulars given by the Government have revealed conditions that call for early remedy, and it is to be hoped that methods more in keeping with those in practice in England may be introduced into this Colony as soon as possible.

The English Legislature has long recognised the fact that, in dealing with young offenders, it is bad principle to subject them to treatment which would cast on them the stigma of criminality. It is with the object of avoiding this stigma, and of helping children who have committed offences to become good citizens, that the Children's Charter was passed. In this connection wide powers are given to the Courts for the purpose of dealing with young offenders in such a manner as to isolate them from pernicious and corruptive associations and influences, and to have them trained in surroundings that should help to eradicate any bad tendencies that may be inherent in them.

Special Legislation Not Necessary.

"I recognise the real difficulties which exist at present in the way of segregation children and young persons while awaiting trial or after conviction; but such offenders, on being tried by the Magistrate, would no longer need to be placed in the dock with adult offenders. Juvenile Courts were established at once. I believe that such Courts can be created by executive act, without legislation. In other words, Your Excellency can, on your authority, direct the Magistrates to set apart certain hours of the day specially for the trial of juvenile offenders. The provision of a special court-room is not an absolute necessity. Paragraph 410 on page 178 of volume 17 of Halsbury says:—"A court of summary jurisdiction must sit either in a different building or room from that in which the ordinary sitting of the Court are held, or on different days, or at different times, or when hearing charges against children, or young persons." This shows that the law in England in regard to the place of sitting is quite elastic.

Opportunity for Voluntary Service.

If it is considered desirable to have special Magistrates to preside at the Juvenile Courts, many unofficial Justices of the Peace with the necessary qualifications would no doubt be ready to give their services in an honorary capacity. It may be interesting to note that by section 1 of the Juvenile Court (Metropolis) Act 1920, every Juvenile Court is constituted "of a police magistrate nominated by the Secretary of State, and two Justices of the Peace for the County of London, of whom one shall be a woman, and both of whom shall be chosen from a panel of such Justices nominated for the purpose by the Secretary of State." Concurrently with the creation of the Juvenile Courts the Government can give careful consideration to the provision of special accommodation for young offenders on detention, and to the establishment at an early date of some training institutions, where such offenders can be segregated after conviction.

Other Needed Reforms.

Several other measures have to be taken before the Hong Kong system of dealing with juvenile offenders can be brought completely up to date, but these measures require legislative action before they can become operative. These are, among other things, the easy provision of bail; the restriction of punishment so that no child under the age of fourteen years shall be sent to prison, and no young person (from 14 to 16) shall be sent to prison unless he is a refractory character; the substitution of places of detention for prisons for young offenders; the empowering of the Courts to require the attendance of the parents of young offenders, and the enabling of such Courts to impose a fine on the parent whose neglect to exercise due care of the child has led to the commission of the offence; and the institution of a system of binding over young offenders so that while they are under bond they can be supervised by "probation officers."

These several points are now being carefully considered by the Society for the Protection of Children who, if they think fit, will no doubt make representations to the Government with a view to having legislation introduced to give effect to them. In the meantime the question of the establishment of juvenile Courts in the Colony seems to admit of no further delay, and I therefore express the earnest hope that Your Excellency may see your way to adopt the resolution which I have now the honour to move.

HON. MR. OWEN HUGHES.

Seconding Hon. Mr. Kotewall's motion, the Hon. Mr. Owen Hughes said:—I have pleasure in seconding the resolution proposed by my honourable friend, Dr. Kotewall. In doing so I feel sure that I am voicing the feeling of not only my unofficial colleagues but also a great majority of the public of this Colony. As our friend pointed out, legislation of this kind is long overdue and I feel sure that the proposal made will have the careful consideration of your Excellency and the Government.

CONFUCIUS QUOTED.

At the invitation of His Excellency the Governor, the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, addressing the Council, said:—I beg leave to say a few words in support of the motion. According to the teaching of Confucius, Chinese are taught to bear kindly with the faults of the young. The establishment of Juvenile Courts in which young offenders may be tried separately, and apart from hardened criminals and punishment more suitable to their tender age may be inflicted, would meet with the great approval and appreciation of the Chinese Community, the measure being one which suits their ideals and teachings.

Young people, we know, are great imitators. They imitate the actions of grown-ups without knowing the why and wherefore. Nor can they discriminate whether such actions are right, or wrong. To punish them like those offenders of riper age, who ought to know better, would be unfair from the humanitarian point of view.

In law, contracts entered into by infants under the age of twenty-one years are not binding. Thus in civil matters infants are well protected. Should not the law, therefore, afford them a certain protection in criminal matters in spite of their own action? The answer from the Chinese is "Yes." With these few words I beg to support the motion.

QUESTION OF FINANCE.

Hon. Mr. Paterson: I am in agreement with all that has been said so far but there is one point which I wish to raise. It may well be that the scheme is very expensive—I don't know as I have no details—but it does seem to me that if you create a special court there would be the necessity of creating some special place to put these youthful prisoners. It may be that they can find a home in the four-million dollars jail but that will not be ready for some time and I should like details as to how the expense is going to be met.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Colonial Secretary:—"The Government, Sir, is prepared to accept the motion now before the Council and to consider the appointment of a Committee to make detailed proposals on this subject. It should, however, be pointed out that the establishment of Juvenile Courts was one of the subjects of discussion at the recent Colonial Office Conference, and it is expected that a model Ordinance dealing with this question will shortly be circulated to this and other Colonies for the consideration of their legislatures. It would be advisable therefore to await the receipt of the expected communication from the Colonial Office before taking further action, and if Honourable Members agree this course will be adopted."

H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

His Excellency: "I may add that the point raised by Mr. Paterson will, of course, be taken into account when the motion is put into effect. This is a matter which I intended to raise myself."

His Excellency went on to say that the Government have had offers to do something of this sort by the Silesian Fathers, provided some financial assistance was forthcoming from the Government. "How far we can give effect to this resolution is a matter which will have to be considered," concluded His Excellency.

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WOMAN KILLED IN MOTOR ACCIDENT.

VERDICT OF DEATH BY MISADVENTURE.

At Central Magistracy yesterday, Mr. E. H. Williams held a Coroner's inquiry into the death of a Chinese woman named Tong Mee, aged 57, as the result of a motor lorry accident in Main Street, Shaikwan, on September 22.

Dr. Greaves gave evidence of finding serious internal injuries and gave his opinion that the woman died of shock and haemorrhage. Witness added that the injuries were consistent with the wheel of a motor vehicle having passed over the woman's body.

Choi Po Sun, master of the Kwong Choo Garage, Stanley, said that he was driving the lorry on the day in question. He held a learner's licence and had a licensed driver seated beside him. The deceased woman crossed the road in front of a police van travelling in the opposite direction, and was next in front of the lorry, four or five feet away, when she hesitated and tried to run back. Witness swerved to the left and applied his brakes, but the bumper knocked the woman down. Witness felt a bump of the front wheel before the vehicle was pulled up. The woman was unconscious and died later.

After hearing other evidence, including that of the driver of the police van, the jury found that there had been no negligence on the part of the driver. They returned a verdict of death by misadventure.

ROSARY CHURCH.

ORDER OF SUNDAY'S PROCESSION.

The following is the order of the procession to be held at the Rosary Church, Kowloon, on Sunday in celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary:—Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, School Band, The Banner of Our Lady, Girls Scattering Flowers, Knights of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Joseph's College Apostleship of Study, Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society, St. Joseph's Confraternity of Prayer Hong Kong and Kowloon, Bearers of the Mysteries of the Rosary, Cross of the Confraternity of the Rosary, Confraternity of the Holy Rosary, Chinese Catholic Young Women's Society, Congregation of St. Aloysius, The Children of Mary, Girls Scattering Flowers, The Clergy, The Statute of Our Lady, Guard of Honour, The Knights, Ladies Apostleship of Prayer, The Band, Boy Scouts Rear-Guard, The Faithful.

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A weak anticyclone is situated to the north of Yangtze Valley. The depression has moved into the Sea of Japan.
Local Forecast: N. winds, fresh; fair.

MARRIAGES.

BOLTE-HOWES.—On September 5, JAN P. BOLTE, younger son of the late Colonel P. A. C. Bolte and Mrs. L. Bolte-Welshman, of Bandoeng, Java, to KATHLEEN M. HOWES, eldest daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Howes, of Witham, Essex.

MACLAREN-SADLER.—On September 6, at Abbots Langley, WALTER DE BOIS MACLAREN, of Kundong Rubber Estate, Johore, to ETHEL MARY, second daughter of Mr. Geoffrey Sadler, of Abbots Langley.

SHARP-PERRY.—On September 6, at Brompton, GEORGE HAMILTON CUNLIFFE, only son of the late Ernest Hamilton Sharp, K.C., late of Hong Kong, and of Mrs. H. Sharp, of 63, Harrington Gardens, S.W.7, to EILEEN BLOUNT, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Harold Perry, of 22, Holland Road, Kensington.

DEATH.

POATE.—On September 6, at Llan-drinid Wells, WALTER POATE, of West Byfleet, and formerly of Hong Kong, aged 72.

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THE "LEAGUE OF EUROPE."

CHINA'S failure to secure a seat on the Council of the League of Nations has had an unhappy sequel. A statement has been communicated to a Geneva paper by the Chinese Delegation, bitterly complaining of the "European character" of the League. This is the very complaint—or rather criticism—most frequently heard in the United States when the subject of League membership is mooted. The American people believe, rightly or wrongly, that the League of Nations, while impartially cosmopolitan in theory, is in practice extremely narrow in its international influence. Now we find China voicing the same view, with a thinly-veiled hint that the time may be near at hand for China to announce its secession from the League. Such an event would be most deplorable. With Russia, China, and the United States all out of the League, it would be certainly necessary to act upon the cynical suggestion which has been already made, and change the name of this combination to the League of Some Nations.

Last month Cuba, Finland, and Canada each completed their three-year holding of seats on the League Council. It was understood that the South American bloc would support Guatemala for Cuba's place at the Council-table, and that Norway would take the place of Finland. All the remaining candidates for Council honours were left to fight for the one vacant seat remaining, and chief among these aspirants were China and the Irish Free State. Ordinarily China's claims would receive slight consideration because of the unsettled state of her domestic affairs. But the League is supposed to be particularly anxious to maintain close relations with China. The Health Section of the League of Nations has undertaken an extensive reorganisation of China's sanitary services, and a plan for the "economic reorganisation" of China is in existence, to be put into effect when the proper moment arrives. China also owes the League several million dollars in back

country withdrew from the League. Consequently, it was thought China's claims to a seat on the

League Council would be strongly supported. In fact, out of 52 nations entitled to vote, 38 had verbally pledged themselves to support China's candidature, but only 27 kept their word. Consequently, the votes in favour of China's election to the vacant seat on the Council were five short of the necessary two-thirds majority, and the Irish Free State now sits where China hoped to be.

It has been argued that since Persia and Japan are represented on the League Council, there is no occasion for a third Asiatic member to be elected. That may be, yet it is easy to understand Chinese disappointment at being ousted by the Irish Free State. The feeling that Ireland would assuredly succeed Canada as a member of the League Council changed some weeks ago, as a result of unexpected opposition in some quarters to the theory that the British Dominions are entitled perpetually to representation as a geographical group. A certain amount of the support given to Canada—elected by a bare majority of one or two votes three years ago—came as a result of a desire to establish a precedent. The Irish Free State Delegation, which had put forward Ireland's candidacy the year before, made an issue of "equality" among League members, and claimed that the permanent British representatives on the Council did not, as Sir Austen Chamberlain had once said, sit there "in the name of Great Britain and the Dominions." The Chinese delegates, in the knowledge that they represent a nation which, in number, equals the whole of Europe put together, naturally feel exceedingly disappointed at being denied a seat at the League Council. They were already feeling disgruntled because the League of Nations has not responded sympathetically to a suggestion that the League Assembly should take action in regard to treaty-revision. The League Covenant provides that when treaties become inapplicable to existing circumstances, and conditions exist which may endanger peaceful relations, the Assembly may advise the signatories of such treaties to reconsider the terms of their agreements. The League Assembly has been urged by China to move on these lines in regard to the big problem of treaty-revision. The Assembly has not acted—and will not act until more pressure is brought to bear upon it than has yet been exerted. This is not the first time China has been disappointed at Geneva, nor will it be the last.

"YOM KIPPUR."

YESTERDAY was observed by Jewish residents of the Colony with all the traditional ceremony attaching to this the most holy of all Jewish holidays. "Yom Kippur," the Day of Atonement, is one of those sacred anniversaries which is recognised not only by the strictly orthodox members of the Jewish faith, but also by those who belong to the "reformed" movement. A strict fast of twenty-four hours is observed on "Yom Kippur"—a custom which dates back to patriarchal times, and represents the penance which every Jew is expected to pay in atoning for his sins. But the occasion is more than a mere fast. Prayers are offered on this auspicious day for the welfare of Jewish people in lands where they are denied full rights as citizens, or where they suffer from persecution or discrimination as a result of their faith.

According to the Jewish calendar, the year 5691 began at sunset of September 22. "Rosh Hashanah" commemorates the creation of the world, and marks the beginning of a ten-day period of penitence to which "Yom Kippur" forms the climax. This interval is the most sacred and solemn observance in the Jewish calendar, and its conclusion is marked by festival and rejoicing even in the most humble of households. Many non-Jewish people are familiar with the traditional hymn known as "Kol Nidre"—a simple, plaintive melody which expresses so eloquently the bitter anguish of a race in bondage, and their eloquent prayer for toleration to be shown towards them by those of other faiths. Happily, in few countries now is there that fierce, fanatical hatred of the Jewish people and their faith which for so long disgraced the history of Christian nations. It is possible now for Jewish people to follow their faith without serious interference, and it is a pleasure for

to extend to their friends of the older faith the best of wishes for their health and happiness during the year 5691.

★ News and Views ★

A Roumanian schoolmaster in the town of Orhei discovered that a copy of his birth certificate had been signed by the mayor's deputy instead of by the mayor. Enraged at what he considered to be a grave insult, he drew a revolver and, dashing along the street, stopped a young Jewish student. Presenting his revolver at the student's head he fired a series of questions on Roumanian history, threatening him with death if he could not answer them. Luckily the student passed this examination with his life. Then the schoolmaster rushed up to a man standing outside the Town Hall. He demanded by what right he stood there. The man stammered nervously, and the schoolmaster poured five bullets into his body. Macdon is now in prison awaiting trial for murder.

An agreement setting up machinery for arbitration on differences among Chinese Tongs throughout the United States was signed at New York last month by representatives of the 'Hip' Sing, On Leong, and four minor Tongs.

A proposal to abolish the dole for unmarried unemployed who, instead of receiving state aid in cash, would be formed into a vast army living in barracks and be clothed and fed at the expense of the taxpayer, has been put forward in Berlin for relieving the burden on German finances which has been caused by widespread unemployment. The scheme, which may be shortly submitted to the Reichstag, proposes a sum of 1.60 per head per day for the housing, feeding and clothing for the one million unmarried men and women to be enrolled, and the economists formulating it estimate a saving to the State of about 200,000,000 a year from its adoption. The discipline of barracks life, it is further contended, might mitigate the present tendency of young men and women to live on the dole without trying to find work.

Sister Hinton, a 35-year-old nurse, home on leave from the Peak Hospital, Hong Kong, was found dead at Worcester on September 7 with her head in a gas oven. She went to the house of a sister, who was away on holiday. As she did not return, her father went in search of her and found her dead. Miss Hinton had an operation recently, and feared that she would not be able to return to China. She was once captured by Chinese bandits and robbed.

We have by no means seen the last of the changes which the arrival of the "Talkie" is destined to work in the cinema world. The news that Mary Pickford is returning to the "legitimate" American stage is an example of the upheaval which has already been caused by it. The English public loved—and love still—Mary Pickford on the silent film. But they do not love her nearly so well—very ungenerally—when they hear her talk. The silent film is being ousted by its new competitor (as it was bound to be), and the old stars cannot shine in the new heaven. The thousands of admirers who loved to watch her so long as she spoke only in captions will wish their lost idol every possible success in her new career.

Lieut.-Comdr. H. P. H. Bent, appointed as King's Harbour Master and Superintendent of the Chart Depot at Simonstown, recently served in the submarine depot ship Titania in China. His last ship was the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal, at the North.

One of the complaints that is sometimes heard against the Government in India is that it does not exert itself sufficiently in the way of counter-propaganda. Agitators sometimes make the wildest statements against British rule, and the authorities allow these falsities to pass unchallenged. During the last few weeks officials have made a point of issuing statements giving the essential facts about successive riots and disturbances, but it is doubtful whether these receive much attention. An interesting development has taken place in the Madras Presidency where the "29 Madras Youth League," a non-official body of Indians, has voluntarily undertaken the task of combating propaganda by carrying the truth personally into various villages.

The death of Rear-Admiral Edward Simpson, of the United States Navy, at the age of 70 years, is announced. Admiral Simpson served on the Brooklyn during the Spanish-American War, and assisted in subduing the Philippines insurrection.

A large crowd gathered outside a customer's shop in a fashionable London street one Sunday afternoon recently when the rest of the thoroughfare was bereft of its usual bustling week-day shopping throng. As more people hurried up, a policeman on duty near by went to see what it was that threatened to disturb the Sunday peace. "Move along there," he said in stern official tone. But then a smile stole over his face and he watched the shop window more intently. There was Madame Mouse, taking advantage of the absence of troublesome assistants, and inspecting the latest "creations" at her own. But the nose of a beautifully attired wax model attracted her attention and she was soon busily nibbling away at it. Ever-ready in an emergency, the constable tapped the glass window, and the mouse bolted.

German postal authorities have contemplated to introduce new apparatus permitting telephone conversations to be automatically recorded when the receiving person is not present. The apparatus is described as write telephone and its use would not entail additional cost to the customer.

Sitting on a tree and on the top of a pole for as many hours as possible has been a "freak" craze in America. Londoners are kept to tremors for their freak records. Mr. James Kardux, of Swain-road, Thornton, Health (Surrey), claims the record for the longest ride. With an L.C.C. 18, all-day, ride-at-will ticket, he travelled 183 miles in 21 hours 20 minutes. He rode in 37 tramcars, starting at 6.50 a.m. and finishing at 3 a.m. the next day. His longest trip in one car was 30 miles. The ordinary fares would have totalled 11s. 7d. The previous record was 175 miles.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The Finance Committee yesterday approved votes totalling \$80,100 for expenditure under various heads, details of which appeared recently in these columns.

The forthcoming wedding is announced between Pte. Frederick George Hutchins of the Somerset Light Infantry, Murray Barracks, and Julia Maria Remedios, of St. Joseph's Building, Robinson Road.

The 3/15th Punjab Regiment, now in Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon, will return to India about the middle of November. They will be relieved by the 3/6th Jat Regiment at present stationed at Santa Cruz.

Before the Marine Magistrate yesterday, the mistress of a passenger boat was charged with (a) carrying 22 passengers in excess of the number allowed by her licence, and (b) failing to stop when called upon to do so by a police officer. She was fined \$20 on the first count and \$15 on the second.

Bail of \$100 was estimated at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when a Chinese failed to attend Court on charges of possessing a small quantity of opium and keeping a diwan. On similar charges two other offenders from different districts were each fined 100 and sent to the reformatory for three months.

Mr. W. L. Handyside, M.A., B.Sc., will deliver a lecture to the Education Society on "If Teachers were King" on Monday, October 6, at 6 p.m. in the Union Assembly Room of the University. The lecture is open to the public, and all interested are cordially welcome.

John Gilbert is very careful of his "props." Through "Redemption," his new starring picture for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, he never came time for him to appear as Tolstoy's miserable Podya, seeking relief in Moscow vodka shops; Gilbert looked at his fur-collared coat and thought it looked too good for a down-and-out. "It did not look as if it had been slept in." "Get a can of black paint and a brush and we'll make this look the part," Gilbert directed a "prop" boy, and for the next few minutes, with the boy wearing the coat, Gilbert was to be seen drinking poison on it. "Just putting on the wear and tear," he commented.

Looking Back 25 Years.

"But Weihaiwei has other claims to our consideration besides being one of the best health resorts in the world. Commercially it is the best of the Gulf of Pechili commands the entire trade of North China, and not only this but the entire sea-borne trade of Manchuria and Mongolia.

Forced to choose between saving the life of a man and that of a woman, a doctor at a hospital in San Francisco elected to save the man, who was married and a father. Only one artificial respirator was available, according to the nurse who assisted the doctor, and this was occupied by Irving Johnson, aged 25. After a few minutes Miss May McLough, aged 30, was brought into the hospital. Both she and the man were suffering from lung paralysis. If the respirator were removed the doctor believed it inevitable that Johnson would die. However, believing that the man had a better chance of life than the woman, he made the difficult choice.

Dogs at the prison in Aix-en-Provence were recently responsible for the recapture of 30 life-sentence prisoners who tried to gain their liberty. The 30 men had broken down a door of the gaol and beaten a guard unconscious when the dogs raised the alarm. Guards rushed to the scene and prevented the men escaping.

Mr. Elijah Arnold, one of the best-known men in the theatrical world in London—for more than 30 years he was box office manager at the St. James's Theatre—has died at Clacton from injuries received in a motor accident. While on holiday at Clacton he and his wife were knocked down by a motor-cyclist on the Marine-parade. Mrs. Arnold died almost immediately. Mr. Arnold was taken to hospital with severe injuries. It was said of him that because his box office did not close until 10 o'clock he never saw the first acts of any play.

A campaign for an improvement of the discipline in the Red Army was announced last week by the Red Army's organ *Krasnaya Svedka*. The campaign includes the introduction of black lists holding up to ignominy the names of refractory soldiers and sailors.

Miss Heloma Kane, the American actress, of synopsized singing fame, broke down and wept in court in New York during the hearing of a demand of the creditors of a dressmaking firm that she should return \$10,000 owed to her by one of the partners, just before the firm went bankrupt. Miss Kane said that the partner who had handed over the \$10,000 to her was her "dearest friend." She declared that it was a repayment of money which she had entrusted to him to buy bonds for her, but which he had used in business instead.

Passengers booking to Manila by the Messageries Maritimes will now have the option of travelling by Messageries Maritimes steamer to Singapore, and thence by the Dollar Line, Norddeutscher Lloyd, or Holland East Asia Line from Singapore to Manila, or by the Messageries Maritimes to Hong Kong, and thence by one of the lines previously mentioned to Manila.

Miss Mary Pickford, the film star, appeared in court at Los Angeles recently for exactly a minute, but the time was long enough to enable her to change the Christian name of her niece, whom she has adopted, from Mary to Guyenne. "Why do you wish for this change?" asked the Judge. "Mary Pickford is my professional name," said Miss Pickford, "and we want to avoid confusion."

★ Local Notes and Events ★

This, by the result of the late war, has fortunately been rescued from destruction. It is true that up to this Weihaiwei has given no indication of its capacity for Commerce, but that is little wonder when we consider the disabilities under which, by the vacillating policy of the British Government, it has laboured, and the insecurity of its tenure, which forbade the expenditure of any capital beyond the necessities of the day. Weihaiwei! It is well to remember, faces the Pacific, and it is in connection more especially with Pacific trade which does not pass Hong Kong that its future will rest. Here really is the future opportunity of Weihaiwei. Are we, for a philosophic sad, for it is nothing more, to cast the opportunity to the dogs?—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, Oct. 3, 1905.

Looking Back 50 Years.

Considerable anxiety for the safety of the P. and O. steamer Sunda, Captain Reeves, which left here on the 2nd ultimo for Nagasaki and Yokohama. The Company's steamer Malacca, Captain Sexton, left Nagasaki on the morning of the 23rd ultimo about half-past ten o'clock, and the Sunda was then overdue, and on the passage down the Malacca, which arrived here yesterday afternoon, saw nothing of the missing steamer. Up till a late hour last night the Gulf of Pechili commands the entire trade of North China, and not only this but the entire sea-borne trade of Manchuria and Mongolia.

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BRITISH EMPIRE CONFERENCE.

PRIME MINISTER'S OPENING ADDRESS.

REVIEW OF WORLD SITUATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Oct. 1.

At its opening meeting in London this morning, the Imperial Conference, as its first official act, sent a message of greeting to His Majesty, to which Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, as Chairman of the Conference, later received a reply from King George.

Royal Reply to Greetings.

His Majesty expressed the sincere thanks of the Queen and himself for the message of loyalty and affection, and added:—"I am especially touched by its kind allusions to my restoration to health. Realising the all-important questions which will be considered, I shall follow with close attention the progress of your deliberations."

Expressions of loyalty to the Throne also marked the opening speeches of the delegates, who, with great cordiality, welcome the opportunity of discussing matters of common concern to all members of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's Speech.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, after welcoming the delegates, referred to the fact that four of his fellow Prime Ministers were like himself attending their first meeting of the Imperial Conference, and paid a tribute to the work done at the 1926 Conference by some whom they missed to-day—the late Lord Balfour, whose name would always be associated with the report of the Inter-Imperial Relations Committee of that Conference; the late Mr. O'Higgins, whose keen and vigorous intellect the delegates of the last Conference owed so much; and Lord Birkenhead, whose death occurred yesterday.

Problems of Common Concern.

Proceeding to the business of the Conference, he said the agenda broadly dealt with three main aspects of problems which were of common concern to them all. The first concerned the relations of the members of the British Commonwealth with one another in the political or constitutional field. General principles were laid down in the report of the Inter-Imperial Relations Committee of the Imperial Conference of 1926 in language which commanded universal acceptance. The changes of government in the United Kingdom since the Conference of 1926 made no difference to their acceptance of those principles.

Legal Structure of the Commonwealth.

"We represent here a variety of political opinions, but, happily, the relations between the members of the British Commonwealth are not, I am glad to think, matters of party politics in this country or in any of the Dominions. It was now their task to consider upon the basis of their experience how to give practical effect to the declarations of 1926."

Legal Structure of the Commonwealth.

In order to prepare for the work of the legal structure of the Commonwealth had to be examined to see what modifications and adaptations were required to bring it into accord with those declarations. This has been done with care and thoroughness by a special Conference on the operation of Dominion Legislation, whose recommendations they must consider, never forgetting that behind their work was the thought of building for the future. Whatever changes of form they might accept, they should be guided by the truth, that though form was undoubtedly important, it was not the form but the spirit behind the form which mattered.

Other two aspects of the agenda.

indicated most important fields in which their free co-operation might be actively pursued. In the sphere of foreign affairs, the great objective was to secure and maintain the influence of the British Commonwealth of Nations in world affairs.

Three Great Steps in Co-operation.

"Since 1926 I think we may point to three great steps which we have taken together to this end. First, the signature of the Paris Peace Pact has recorded the solemn assent of the chief countries of the world to the principle that war shall no longer be used as an instrument of national policy, and that the settlement of disputes shall only be sought by pacific means."

Broadening the Scope of Arbitration.

"But there is much to be done in both fields, by broadening the scope of arbitration, and by securing a fuller and more general limitation of armaments. Let us be quite

frank on this matter. The strength of armaments in the world to-day, and the general unwillingness of Governments to advance the cause of secured peace by a reduction of military material, unless checked, must soon lead to a new race in air armaments, to which most of the nations cannot be indifferent. Should a calamity happen, it will not be the fault of our Commonwealth, which, both by precept and example, has shown the sincerity of its devotion to the cause of peace. I am sure that in our discussions, we shall be able to find common ground for acting in harmony in pursuit of these aspects."

Economic Question.

"Now to the economic question. The whole world is suffering from acute depression of trade in which we also have inevitably the misfortune to share. The problem is one which cannot be solved by one country alone. What we have to consider is, I suggest, what practical means we can devise for helping one another and thereby helping world contacts and the internal industrial circumstances to which we have to accommodate ourselves."

"Two essentials are required for our economic co-operation. First, there is the will to succeed and, secondly, a renewal of confidence in spite of the propaganda of depression which has been so prevalent in recent months. We require practical measures, of far-reaching soundness and not short-sighted straggles with unknown reactions. I hope our discussions will provide the former."

Premier Bennett of Canada.

The Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. R. D. Bennett, expressing thanks for the generous welcome extended to him, said whatever might distinguish one Conference from another, they were at least alike in the spirit of Empire. Never, in his view, had there been presented for solution questions of such urgency and of such far-reaching consequence to the economic welfare of the Empire as those which now arose.

"We meet at a time of industrial depression, falling prices, slackening trade, diminishing revenue and rising unemployment. This situation is worldwide. While Canada has faced the facts and through adequate employment of those means within our own country, has, we believe, provided a way out of the present difficulties, my Canadian colleagues have now come to the Conference not only with a message of affection and goodwill, but in the strong belief that by concerted action of the whole we can advance the interests of all sections of the Empire." At an appropriate stage of the proceedings, he would develop his considered view as to that scheme of co-operation which he believed held the greatest promise of real and lasting advantage to all States of the Empire.

Mr. J. H. Scullin on Preference.

The Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. J. H. Scullin, referring to the work before the Conference of advancing a stage further the great task of the real unity of the British Commonwealth of Nations, said the machinery of the relations within the British Commonwealth was in the course of evolution from a simple form towards something more appropriate to the present-day position. It was quite possible to reconcile the complete and effective autonomy of the Dominions with the unity of the British Commonwealth as a whole. As a free association of people, however, there was nothing to be gained, and perhaps a great deal to be lost, by attempting to crystallise their relations too closely within the confines of any formal documents. On the unity of the British Commonwealth might depend, in time to come, the preservation of international peace.

"Touching upon economic issues, he said the urgent problem of today was one of markets rather than one of production, and in the event of the Government of the Empire deciding upon a definite formal policy of Imperial economic co-operation, the Commonwealth Government would be ready to do its part. Australia hoped to receive from Britain a treaty identical in fact, if not in method, to that which she had already afforded Britain through preferential tariffs, and which she was prepared to afford in even greater measure."

Mr. Forbes of New Zealand.

The New Zealand Premier, Mr. Forbes, said there would be disappointment throughout the Commonwealth if the Conference did not reach an agreement on some exclusive and effective economic policy to their common benefit, or at least, definite steps towards increasing inter-Imperial trade.

Steps towards inter-Imperial trade.

pledges between the members of the British Commonwealth, Mr. Forbes said New Zealanders had felt that at all times in recent years

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BELGIAN EX-PREMIER AT SHANGHAI.

"RUNNING DOG OF THE IMPERIALISTS."

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Oct. 2.

Mr. Vandervelde, the Belgian Socialist leader and ex-Premier, who was the guest of 40 Chinese public organisations, in the course of a remarkable speech, expressed surprise that the local Communists had pilloried him as the "running dog of the imperialists." His surprise was in no way lessened when he recalled how the Belgian Conservatives had called him a Radical, because he supported the rendition of the Belgian Concession at Tientsin.

they had had ample fields and scope for their national aspirations. He hoped all questions regarding the status of the respective members of the Commonwealth would be finally disposed of at the Conference, but with its elimination another problem of even higher importance would arise. In the Commonwealth of six equal partners differing in history and situation, and of different centrifugal influences, their association might be weakened in the absence of a common policy in essential matters. New Zealand hoped the Governments at the Conference would divert their attention from status to co-operation.

Maharajah of Bikaner.

The head of the Indian delegation, the Maharajah of Bikaner, declared that the Princes and subjects of the Indian States reaffirmed their loyalty to the King-Emperor, and with the bulk of the people of British India, were desirous at heart that their country should enjoy an honourable place in the Commonwealth.

Other Points in the Speeches.

Other points from the speeches are quoted by Reuter as follows: Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, whose speech was broadcast, said the Conference had opened in a splendid spirit.

"The outlook in view of the world trade depression may seem disquieting, but on the very magnitude of our problems, I build a good hope of overcoming them. We are all suffering from a bad bout of pessimism that must be stopped. Our weakness lies in our psychology and not in our skill, material resources or opportunities."

"The result of the conference would be a broadening of liberty, and the Prime Ministers would take away a feeling that there is a kinship and an advantage in linking us not by law or by force but by a heart-sworn friendship, reverence for the finer inheritance of tradition, achievement in the things of the soul and the imagination of our place in history, won and kept."

"Trade," he added, "will not keep our affections vital, but a vital affection will keep our trade ample."

Mr. Gillingham emphasised that in his view the recognition of the Irish Free State as a free sovereign state transcended all other considerations. He urged the necessity of removing finally the last obstacles to harmonious and easy intercourse.

Mr. Forbes, the New Zealand Premier, hoped that the Governments concerned would find it possible to divert attention from status to co-operation.

Mr. Scullin held it quite possible to reconcile the complete and effective autonomy of the Dominions with the unity of the British Commonwealth as a whole, but not if we attempt to do every "I" and cross every "it."

Mr. Bennett reaffirmed his unchanging conviction that it could not be solved if they had faith and confidence in one another.

General Hertog dilated upon the disastrous effects likely to result from the British Government's proposed abolition of preferences, but he hoped that the Conference would solve the difficulties in a manner consistent with the highest interests of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Squire said that ninety per cent. of the residents of Newfoundland were of English, Irish and Scottish blood, and Newfoundland was enthusiastically in favour of inter-Imperial trade.

Banquet by Patriotic Societies.

The various patriotic societies gave a banquet in the evening in honour of the delegates to the Imperial Conference.

Prince Arthur of Connaught provided. He gave the toast of "The Dominions Overseas and India," mentioning in the course of his speech that an eminent article he had already achieved notable success in South Africa and India, had been consulted

in connection with the building of a monument in London in the near future expressing the mutual understanding and helpfulness among the peoples of the British Commonwealth.

EMPIRE'S GOLD RESERVES.

NEW MONEY SUBSTITUTE FOR GOLD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Oct. 2.

The attention of the delegates to the Imperial Conference is being drawn to a scheme by Mr. J. F. Darling, director of the Midland Bank, for a pool of the Empire's gold reserves totalling £250,000,000 in an Empire Bank, the shareholders in which would be note-issuing banks and the authorities of the Empire, and which would issue against this gold new money to be called "Rex" as a substitute for gold.

Mr. Darling, interviewed by Reuter, said that the bank would buy gold and silver at a minimum cash price and pay "Rex" for it. The great idea was to establish a new bimetalism, so that the Bank of the Empire would buy silver bearing a fixed ratio to its minimum price for gold.

Mr. Darling emphasised the need for rehabilitating silver, thus enhancing the purchasing power of the millions in China and India.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

KUOMINTANG COMPLAINS OF RECENT ELECTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, Oct. 1.

A local paper publishes a statement issued by the Kuomintang delegation in Europe bitterly complaining of the "European character" of the League of Nations and of the failure of China to obtain re-election to a non-permanent seat on the Council of the League.

Hint of Secession.

The Kuomintang delegation says that the "induces the Chinese people to examine the utility of continuing its efforts in that direction with a view to completing the work of establishing peace or whether to proceed differently."

LEAGUE ASSEMBLY.

REPORT ON ECONOMIC WORK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, Oct. 2.

The Assembly adopted the Report on the economic work of the League.

No opposing vote was cast, but M. Titulescu announced that many reservations from the British Dominions and other States would be registered with the report.

Financial Assistance Convention.

Twenty-nine States have signed the Financial Assistance Convention, including Australia, Netherlands and Persia.

Germany, Italy, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand hitherto have not signed.

Illicit Opium Traffic.

The Assembly met to-day and adopted the Committee's report and the accompanying resolution dealing with illicit opium traffic.

Prince Tarvidis, of Siam, extended an invitation to hold the forthcoming conference on opium-smoking at Bangkok instead of in London. He said that the Siamese Government would be happy to welcome the conference and support the supplementary expenses, estimated at 150,000 Swiss francs, owing to the change of venue.

The invitation evoked applause.

COLLIERY EXPLOSION NEAR WALLSALL.

FOURTEEN FATALITIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Oct. 2.

Fourteen fatalities resulted from an explosion which occurred last night in the Grove Colliery, near Wallsall.

The cause of the explosion is known. It was a gas explosion, caused by a heavy fall. As the result of the explosion, the workings of the colliery have been filled with carbon-monoxide gas.

BRITISH CONSUL AT WEIHAIWEI.

BRITISH AND CHINESE ENTERTAINED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WEIHAIWEI, Oct. 2.

A well-attended function took place at 11 o'clock this morning at the hoisting of the flag over the new British Consulate, where Mr. Allan Archer, the first Consul at Weihaiwei, received and entertained a large party of British and Chinese residents, including Vice-Admiral Weistell and his staff, and Hsu Tsu Shan and his staff.

After hoisting the flag, Mr. Archer proposed the toast of "The President of the Republic."

Hsu Tsu Shan proposed the toast of "King George."

Mr. Archer spoke about the friendly relations existing at Weihaiwei between the British and Chinese, which he hoped would long continue.

Hsu Tsu Shan suitably replied. Vice-Admiral Weistell proposed the toast of "Mr. Archer," and Mr. Archer proposed the toast of the "New Commissioner" (Hsu Tsu Shan).

The final act in the rendition took place this afternoon, when a company of the Second Battalion of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, under Major Campbell, embarked on board H.M.S. Cornwall, which later sailed for Hong Kong.

RED BANDITS CAUSING ANXIETY.

NANCHANG AND KIUKIANG THREATENED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEIPING, Oct. 2.

Red bandit activities are again causing anxiety to the Yangtze leaders.

Chu Tak and Mao Chak Tung are reported to be threatening to attack Nanchang and Kiukiang from the west, and some apprehension is felt, as the Government troops at Kiukiang number only 2,000.

THREE GOVERNMENTS.

NEW SCHEME BY WELLINGTON KOO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

According to a telegraphic dispatch from Mukden, Dr. Wellington Koo has recently proposed to Chang Hsueh Liang to establish a third Government to be independent from the Nanking and Shansi Governments.

The three governments will convene a people's conference to decide national affairs and to organize a proper and legal Government.

When the new Government is formed, the three old Governments will be dissolved. Chang Hsueh Liang is said to have approved of the proposal. Rumours to the above effect have been current in Peiping and Tientsin.

THE AMOY TAX DISPUTE.

PROPOSED NEW TARIFF POSTPONED.

Business connections between Hong Kong and Amoy have been temporarily resumed as the authorities in Amoy have notified the merchants that the collection of the new tax on exported goods is postponed.

It will be recalled that as a protest against the new tax, merchants in Amoy suspended their import and export trade. With the exception of foodstuffs, no other goods have been exported from or imported into Amoy during the past few days. A committee has been formed by the merchants to take charge of the boycott.

In view of the strong protest of the public, the authorities notified the merchants through the Customs House that the collection of the new tax would be held up for the time being. The merchants therefore decided to resume business and wired Hong Kong and other places to that effect, and merchants in the Colony have resumed shipping goods to that port.

DISTURBANCES IN CUBA.

PRESS CENSORSHIP ESTABLISHED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

A Press censorship has been established in Cuba, following the disturbances that took place in Havana on Monday.

TIENTSIN CUSTOMS QUESTION.

CHINESE SUPERINTENDENT INSTALLED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TIENTSIN, Oct. 2.

Han Lin Sun was duly installed as Chinese Superintendent of Customs, and orders have been issued to the present staff to hand over all the affairs to the old staff tomorrow.

Mr. Grierson, a former deputy Commissioner under Col. Francis Hayley Bell, has been appointed Acting Commissioner.

INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION IN U.S. PREDICTED.

TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS DAILY FOR EVERYBODY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.

An industrial revolution in America is predicted by Mr. Henry Ford.

In his new book entitled, "Moving Forward," he foresees the labouring classes become the leisure classes, abolishing over-production and unemployment and providing a minimum wage of \$27 daily for everybody.

ITALIAN VICTIM OF ASSASSIN.

SHOT IN BRUSSELS TEN DAYS AGO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRUSSELS, Oct. 2.

Aurilio, a cheese merchant from Rotterdam, who was shot on Sept. 22 by an anti-Fascist named Ruggero, has died in hospital.

Ruggero, when arrested, told the Magistrate before whom he was brought that he fired as a protest against the death sentences passed at Trieste last month, and the anti-Fascist oppression in Istria, of which place he is a native.

A message from Trieste on September 6 reported that four terrorists, sentenced to death yesterday for participation in an attempt to blow up the offices of the newspaper, *Popolo di Trieste*, last February (which resulted in the death of a young Sub-Editor), were executed by shooting in the back. Twelve other accused were sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying from 30 to two and a half years. Two were acquitted.]

AUSTRIAN ASSEMBLY DISSOLVED.

GENERAL ELECTION IN NOVEMBER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

VIENNA, Oct. 1.

As foreshadowed yesterday, Parliament met to-day and dissolved. The elections will be held in November.

JAPAN RATIFIES NAVAL PACT.

SIMPLE CEREMONY COMPLETES ADHERENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Oct. 2.

His Majesty the Emperor signed the London Naval Treaty, and the Imperial seal was affixed to the document, thereby completing Japan's ratification.

Mr. Hamaguchi and Count Makino, Lord Privy Seal, attended the simple ceremony.

AIRCRAFTER HERMES.

RECOMMISSIONING FOR FAR EAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Oct. 2.

The aircraft-carrier H.M.S. Hermes is recommissioning on the 3rd inst. for a further period of service in the Far East.

Two flights belonging to the fleet air arm will be recommissioned for further service in the Hermes, and will accompany her to China.

Captain E. J. Mackinnon will recommission the Hermes, Captain J. D. Campbell having vacated his command.

BRITAIN'S ROAD TRAFFIC ACT.

QUALIFICATION FOR MOTOR DRIVING LICENCES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Oct. 1.

Extremely defective eyesight and liability to fits will bar anyone from obtaining a driving licence under the new Road Traffic Act, part of which will come into operation in December.

Applicants have to declare their fitness to be able to read a motor-car number-plate, with or without glasses, at a distance of thirty yards. They must also produce a certificate of insurance against third-party risk.

Steel tyres will be banned and henceforth all newly-registered vehicles, except trailers, must run on pneumatic tyres.

PRINCE GEORGE A GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

VISIT TO ARGENTINA A PRELIMINARY STEP.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Oct. 1.

The *New Chronicle* diarist states that Prince George will accompany the Prince of Wales on his visit to the British Trade Exhibition in Argentina next spring. The writer suggests that the tour is a preliminary step towards Prince George eventually being appointed Governor-General of one of the Dominions, after he has had the opportunity to gain experience in some less important office.

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TWENTY-FIVE LAKHS FOR PUBLIC WORKS EXTRA-ORDINARY.

NOTES ON 1931 ESTIMATES.

HONG KONG AND KOWLOON.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7.)

HONG KONG.

Accompanying the Estimates is a Memorandum by the Hon. Director of Public Works dealing with Public Works Extraordinary, for which a sum of \$2,500,000 is set aside for 1931, as compared with a revised estimate of \$3,340,000 for the current year. This explains the main items in detail.

New No. 2 Police Station, \$125,000.—The new station is being constructed with pile foundations on the Praya East Reclamation, for which a sum of \$2,500,000 is set aside for 1931, as compared with a revised estimate of \$3,340,000 for the current year. This explains the main items in detail.

Sai Ying Pun New Market, \$125,000.—The building consists of three floors and contains the following stalls: 48 fish stalls, 18 vegetable stalls, 18 beef and mutton stalls, 12 poultry stalls and 40 pork stalls, together with killing room, quarters for coolies, etc.

Victoria Gaol New Printing Shop, \$50,000.—This work was commenced in 1930 to permit of the printing work being carried out more efficiently and to accommodate the new printing machinery which had already been obtained.

Additional Transmitting Block at Cape D'Aguilar W/T Station, \$2,000.—Retention money. Work will be completed before the end of 1930.

Latrine at U Hing Lane, \$10,000.—This work was commenced in 1930 and consists of a 40 seat latrine and urinal together with quarters for caretaker—it is of the water flush type.

Latrine on Praya East, \$10,000.—This building consists of a 40 seat latrine and urinal together with quarters for caretaker—it is of the water flush type.

Latrine and Urinal at Davis Street, \$30,000.—This building will be completed in 1930 and the amount provided is for retention money to be paid in 1931. The latrine consists of 30 seats and 2 urinals on the water flush system with quarters for caretaker.

Infectious Diseases Hospital, \$1,000.—The exact site for the new infectious Diseases Hospital is not yet selected but it is hoped to provide a suitable site and commence the work before the end of 1931.

Market at Praya East Reclamation—One storey only (open type) constructed of reinforced concrete, \$20,000.—This one-storey market is urgently needed to relieve the congestion in the Whaitai district. The market will be erected on a site on the new Praya East Reclamation.

Roads and Drainage.

Roads, \$80,000.—To provide extension of roads in areas in course of development. Roads are mainly, kerbed and channelled, and footpaths laid as new buildings are erected during the year.

(a) Drainage: Training Nullahs, \$30,000.—To provide for training stream courses on areas under development assisting anti-malarial work.

(b) Drainage: Sewage and Storm Water Drains, \$50,000.—To provide drainage facilities to new schemes and properties under development.

Miscellaneous, \$15,000.—This vote is to provide funds for the various small improvements that are found to be necessary for all Government Departments during the course of the year.

Water Works, \$10,000.—To provide for new water mains, fixing hydrants, clearing conduits and miscellaneous minor works.

Port Works, \$5,000.—This vote is for preliminary investigations such as taking soundings and borings, and diving operations in connection with the new and proposed harbour works.

Road connecting Garden Road and Bowen Road with May Road, \$5,000.—Retention Money. This work completes the 1st section of widening existing roads for motor traffic and thereby linking up the mid-levels with the City for this class of traffic.

Road from Causeway Bay to Quarry Bay, Section 70 feet wide, opposite M.L.'s 430 and 431, \$2,000.—Retention money. This section of the Road 70 ft. wide by 1,000 ft. in length had to be completed to allow of the development of these lots.

Tai Hang Road construction, strengthening conduit, \$40,000.—For strengthening the conduit from the junction of Stubbs Road to the Tunnel face. Until this is done the road cannot be opened for heavy vehicular traffic.

Chinese Cemeteries, laying out new areas, \$5,000.—This vote is necessary for forming additional extensions to the existing cemeteries for burial purposes.

Government Quarry, Tsat Tsz Mui, installation of modern asphalt and screening plants, \$15,000.—This vote provides for the installation of new plants to replace the existing obsolete and worn out machinery.

Playing Fields, preparing areas recommended by Committee as such may be approved, \$5,000.—On account.

Renewing electrical wiring in Government Buildings, \$20,000.—The electrical wiring in many Government buildings is not considered to be in a safe condition and requires renewing at an early date.

Reinstatement of Government Retaining Walls, \$3,000.—To provide for the reconstruction of Government retaining walls where found necessary.

Mental Hospital, provision of Geysers, \$1,500.—The Medical Department consider the provision of hot water geysers for this institution to be essential.

Garage at Arbuthnot Road, \$5,000.—This comprises a block of 4 single garages in Arbuthnot Road for the use of the Prison Staff.

Water Works.

North Point Balance Tank, \$20,000.—To complete. This work will result in improving the Water Supply to the Shaukiwan district.

New Principal Mains in City, \$20,000.—To meet increasing consumption. It is necessary to extend the larger distributing mains.

New 8" connecting main to Shaukiwan, \$25,000.—Required to meet the development of the district.

Reinforcing Water Main along new alignment from Eastern Filter Beds to Village Road, Wong Nei Chung, \$15,000.—The development at Wong Nei Chung necessitates the removal of the temporary water mains, which at present crosses the area to be built upon to their permanent position.

Port Works.

Ferry Piers (Western), \$20,000.—To complete. This work in connection with the construction of a new pier for the Eastern ferries services.

Construction of rubble mound at North Point to retain materials dumped, \$20,000.—To be completed in 1932. This work will prevent the silting up of the harbour.

Reclamation of S.W. corner of Causeway Bay for road widening, \$500.—Retention money. This work was completed in 1930.

Public Health and Buildings Ordinance.

Various Resumptions for Road widening scheme approved by Government as rebuilding occurs, \$10,000.—As the demolition of old buildings takes place advantage is taken to resume portions of road widening. This vote provides the necessary funds for this purpose.

Resumption of R.N. Canteen on M.L. 45 Sec. B, \$77,045.—Compensation for buildings on M.L. 45 Sec. B. (to be paid under agreement in 4 half yearly instalments) in connection with the Praya East Reclamation.

Sailors' Home, West Point, M.L. 187A, \$180,000.—3rd instalment of compensation money for purchase of M.L. 187A in connection with the removal of the Home to a new site.

Compensation for old buildings required to be removed in order to carry out Arsenal Street improvement, \$50,000.—Connected with the Praya East Reclamation layout.

Hung Hom Government Store, Kowloon.

Hung Hom Government Store, \$2,000.—This site has been prepared for the New Government store building—building plans for which are in preparation.

Kowloon Hospital, Maternity Block, \$100,000.—The site is being prepared and it is hoped to start building before the end of 1930.

The building will be a two storey block containing Ward accommodation, for 6 first class, 4 second class and 24 third class patients together with Duty Rooms, Baths, Kitchens, etc.

Argyle Street, Mongkoktsui, Latrine and Bathroom, \$12,000.—The building will provide for 30 seats and urinal with 22 baths, in addition to quarters for attendants.

Kowloon British School, Site and Building, \$50,000.—The amount now provided is for the preparation of the new site adjoining the Kowloon Government Hospital.

Kowloon Tong Market, \$1,000.—This market was put in hand to meet the requirements of the Kowloon Tong Estate residents.

The market comprises six stalls, kitchen and store for caretakers, and water flush public latrine.

New Barrack Sheds and alterations at Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station, \$2,000.—This work commenced in 1930 to relieve the congestion at the Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station and to provide additional accommodation. The buildings comprise three large wooden Barrack Sheds to accommodate a total of 84 Chinese Police, with brick kitchens, latrines, etc.

General Works.

Roads, \$150,000.—To meet the cost of forming and surfacing extensions of main roads to give access to building developments.

(a) Drainage: Training Nullahs, \$1,000.—To provide drainage for areas in course of development.

(b) Miscellaneous Drainage Works, \$150,000.—This sum is necessary to provide the sewers and storm water drains to connect with new properties which are necessary before the buildings can be occupied.

Miscellaneous, \$5,000.—To provide for temporary markets, alterations to buildings leased by Government, electrical fittings not otherwise provided for, anti-malarial work on undeveloped lots, and small items required by Government Departments.

Water Works, \$5,000.—To provide for extensions to areas in course of development.

Port Works, \$1,000.—To provide for soundings and borings, etc., for proposed works.

Communications.

Chatham Road Extension, \$50,000.—This extension provides a by-pass road in order to avoid the narrow Hung Hom streets.

Improving existing main roads for motor traffic, \$50,000.—Necessary for strengthening main roads to meet the requirements of heavy and fast moving traffic.

Drainage.

Matenchung Extension of Culvert to Argyle Street (M.L. Tau Wei Village), \$15,000.—Necessary to complete the drainage of this locality.

Miscellaneous.

Chinese Cemeteries, laying out new areas, \$7,000.—Required for terracing and draining the new and existing areas in order to make the ground available to burials.

Renewing electrical wiring at Yau Ma Tei Slipway, \$1,000.—The condition of the greater portion of the installation is not good and should be renewed.

Playing Fields, \$1,000.—Preparing areas recommended by the Committee as such may be approved.

Water Works.

Distributing Water Mains, \$15,000.—This item is necessary for providing water mains to newly developed areas.

Port Works.

Mong Kok Tsui Ferry, \$15,000.—The new pier will replace the existing ferry pier which is old and unsuitable for present conditions.

Public Health and Buildings Ordinance.

Compensation and Resumptions, \$30,000.—This item is for the acquisition of buildings and land necessitated by the Town Planning Scheme and for the realignment and widening of streets.

NEW KOWLOON.

Buildings.

Married Quarters, Lai-chikok, \$80,000.—Completes. These quarters were necessary owing to the lack of married quarters attached to the Prison or suitable private houses within a reasonable distance. The quarters provide six single and four married quarters.

New Female Prison, Lai-chikok, \$100,000.—The buildings provide cell accommodation for 12 Convicts and 12 Remand Prisoners and Dormitory accommodation for 60 Short Term Prisoners together with Reception Rooms, Hospital, Covered Yard, etc. and in addition Quarters for a Matron and 24 Wardresses. The site preparation is being done by Prison labour.

Latrine at Kowloon Tong Waterloo Road (Park area), \$2,500.—This convenience will be situated between Essex Crescent and Waterloo Road and provides for four single men in the Tai-po district.

General Works.

Roads, \$30,000.—To meet the cost of forming and surfacing extensions to main roads to give access to building developments.

(a) Drainage: Training Nullahs, \$8,000.—To provide for drainage for hillside areas in course of development and for anti-malarial measures.

(b) Drainage: Miscellaneous Drainage Works, \$5,000.—Necessary in connection with development at Tai Po Market and Un Long.

Miscellaneous, \$4,000.—Necessary for small unforeseen works and expenditure that may become necessary during the course of the year.

Water Works, \$1,000.—For general extension and improvement.

Communications.

Patrol Path from Lin Ma Hang to Shatukok, \$25,000.—This path was put in hand in order that patrols and pedestrians could cover this section of the frontier in British Territory instead of having to cross the border as was necessary by the old path. The length dealt with is about 5 miles in length x 6 ft. wide.

Reconditioning of Roads, \$30,000.—In view of the increasing motor and bus traffic the roads must of necessity be gradually strengthened to meet requirements.

Access Road (16 feet wide) to Chinese Cemetery, Kowloon, \$5,000.—This road was considerably delayed in 1930 owing to the difficulty of providing exchanges for the private land traversed. The length of road dealt with was 2,000 ft.

Castle Peak Road, section from Cheungshawan to Lai-chikok (60 feet wide), \$15,000.—This section of road was only 20 ft. wide and in view of the increasing motor bus traffic it is found necessary to widen and improve it by reconstruction to the Town Planning alignment. Length to be dealt with is 3,300 ft.

Improving existing main roads for motor traffic, \$30,000.—Necessary for strengthening the main roads to meet the requirements of heavy and fast moving traffic.

Drainage.

Kowloon Tsui, Connection of Stream, to main nullah (central), \$10,000.—This is necessary in order to drain the low lying areas adjacent to the Kowloon Tong Estate.

One side wall and invert north of camp, Shamshui, \$5,000.—This is required for the extension of the Southern wall of the camp site to its junction with the Lai-chikok Road.

Miscellaneous.

Tong Mi and Kowloon Tong, Filling in areas, \$14,000.—This comprises the filling in of the low lying area to the East and West of the Nathan Road and North of the Prince Edward Road.

Filling in areas N.W. of Nam Cheong Street and West of Tai Po Road, \$35,000.—To provide access to developed building land and to improve the drainage and sanitary conditions of this district which is being raised to Town Planning levels.

Refuse Dump at Cheungshawan, \$8,500.—This amount is to provide the necessary filling over the Sanitary Board dump. It is essential from a sanitary point of view.

Chinese Cemeteries—laying out new areas, \$4,000.—Necessary for the development by terracing and draining new and existing areas in order to make the ground available for burials.

Kowloon City Service Reservoir, \$10,000.—In order to improve the Kowloon City Water supply, it is necessary to construct this covered service reservoir.

Water Works.

Distributing water mains, \$30,000.—This vote is necessary for waterworks extensions required to meet the rapid development of Kowloon.

Port Works.

Cheungshawan, construction of Rubble Mound to retain materials dumped, \$30,000.—This precautionary work is necessary in order to prevent dumped material silting up the harbour.

Sham Shui Po Ferry Pier, \$15,000.—Required to replace the existing ferry pier which is old and unsuitable for present conditions.

Public Health and Buildings Ordinance.

Compensation and Resumptions, \$50,000.—This vote is necessary for the acquisition of buildings and land necessitated by the Town Planning Scheme and for the realignment and widening of streets.

NEW TERRITORIES.

School at Un Long, \$30,000.—The construction of this school building has been rendered necessary owing to the old school building (rented) becoming unsafe. The school contains five class rooms for 30 pupils each, teachers rooms, cloak rooms, etc. and with caretakers quarters adjoining.

Quarters for Forestry Reserve, Tai-po, \$2,500.—The new quarters will provide accommodation for four single men in the Tai-po district.

General Works.

Roads, \$2,000.—Necessary in connection with developments at Tai Po Market and Un Long.

(a) Drainage: Training Nullahs, \$3,000.—Necessary for the gradual improvement of Tai Po residential area.

(b) Drainage: Miscellaneous Drainage Works, \$3,500.—Necessary in connection with development at Tai Po Market and Un Long.

Miscellaneous, \$4,000.—Necessary for small unforeseen works and expenditure that may become necessary during the course of the year.

Water Works, \$1,000.—For general extension and improvement.

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VEHICULAR FERRY SCHEME.

COLONIAL SECRETARY OUTLINES PROPOSAL.

MOTION ADOPTED BY COUNCIL.

A motion by the Colonial Secretary for approval of the expenditure of \$1,300,000 on the proposed vehicular ferry was brought up at the Legislative Council yesterday and was unanimously adopted.

There were present:—

H.E. Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G.,
Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, O.M.C., C.B.E.,
Hon. Mr. C. Mei, Messer, O.B.E.,
Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E.,
Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.,
Hon. Mr. E. C. Wolfe, C.M.G.,
Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood,
Commander G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired),
Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington,
Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes,
Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotevski, C.M.G., LL.D.,
Hon. Dr. S. W. T'so, O.B.E., LL.D.,
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga,
Hon. Mr. J. J. P. Pearson,
Hon. Mr. P. Lauder,
Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie and
Mr. N. L. Smith (Clerk of Council).

Colonial Secretary's Speech.

Addressing the Council, the Colonial Secretary said:—
At intervals for a number of years past the proposal to construct a vehicular ferry has been the subject of discussion in the Colony, and the information available has been concentrated in Sessional Paper No. 6 of 1928. That paper contains very full details of the whole proposition, though on the financial side I venture to think that a closer study of the traffic would have justified a much brighter picture even then. Since 1928 the question has been more and more often discussed and any feeling of hesitation has been removed by the wide extension of the use of motor cars, by the realization that the vehicular ferry will also carry passengers and that therefore the round-about will at least pay for the savings until the scheme becomes self-supporting. Applications have in fact been received to undertake the whole work—piers, boats and running, and generally speaking it must now be accepted that there is a genuine public demand for this ferry and that it will in itself be a not unprofitable business proposition. The linking of the two halves of the Colony has always been a hope held back from fulfilment by the large cost of the scheme proposed to carry it out, but the time seems now to have come when a self-supporting scheme will justify the enterprise.

Scheme Explained.

The decision reached by the Government after very careful examination, and approved by the Secretary of State, is to undertake at once the construction of the necessary piers and concourse areas on the sites, and broadly speaking in accordance with the plans, set out in the Sessional Paper to which I have referred, the sites being on the Hong Kong side the vicinity of Jubilee Street and on the Kowloon side, the end of Jordan Road. This part of the work it is proposed that the

Miscellaneous.

New telephone switch board for Tai Po Police Station, \$2,600. Complaints have been received from the Police as to the unsatisfactory condition of this switch board.

Un Long Nullahs and Improvements, \$3,000.—This vote is required in connection with the training of the present ditch that runs round the outskirts of the market and adjacent to which areas are being developed.

Tai Po Land Office European Lavatory and Small Store, \$1,250.—Necessary as these improvements have not yet been provided.

Compensation and Resumptions, \$3,000.—For the small resumptions which become necessary during the year in connection with small improvement works etc.

Windmill for irrigation purposes, \$500.—For the purchase and erection of a windmill for irrigating areas that at present lie fallow. Should the scheme prove a success it will be extended.

Arms Grilles for New Territories Police Stations, \$3,000.—Necessary for the protection of arms and ammunition in the New Territories Stations at present not provided with these safeguards.

Improvements to Fan Ling Water Works, \$5,000.—For alterations to the intake works in order to improve pressure.

Government should itself undertake, the expenditure to be provided in due course from the loan account, but pending the extension of the loan it is proposed temporarily to provide the finance from the surplus balances of the Colony.

The total cost of the piers and concourse areas is estimated at \$1,300,000—calculated at the current rates of to-day, of which sum it is anticipated that \$100,000 will be required in the course of the current year if the work can be taken in hand at once. The preliminary arrangements are practically complete, and with the concurrence of the Council in the Resolution now before it action can be taken with little further delay.

It is estimated that two years will be required for the completion of the piers, and within that period provision has to be made for the vehicles ferry boats themselves. The intention is that they shall be designed to carry a maximum of some 16-18 seater motor cars or lorries and other vehicles to occupy the same space and shall also have generous accommodation for passengers. Three such boats will be necessary to maintain a regular service but the intervals between trips will remain a matter for experience to dictate. The estimated cost of three vehicles and passenger ferry boats as contemplated is some \$1,300,000. Smaller boats estimated to cost say \$255,000, each carrying passengers only, will run between the trips of the larger boats. These estimates are based on \$1-1/3jd.

Public Tender.

No final decision has yet been reached as to the best method of dealing with the boats, their construction and their running, but it is contemplated that the building and the running should be made a matter for public tender, and the terms of the tender and the conditions of the running are to receive immediate consideration. With two years ahead of us there remains a sufficient margin for this difficult question to be thrashed out thoroughly, still leaving time for the tenders and for the construction of the boats before the piers are ready.

I should note that the construction of the pier on the Hong Kong side will afford an opportunity of which advantage will be taken to provide pier accommodation for some of the other ferries running in the harbour; and that the expenditure of the sum of \$1,300,000 now requested will obviate the necessity of expending \$200,000 on the rebuilding of the Shamshui Po and Mong Kok ferry wharves on the Hong Kong side. This expenditure of \$200,000 will have to be faced unless it is now decided to proceed with the larger scheme dealt with in the resolution, in which event the two pier sites referred to will become available for other use.

Resolution Carried.

Since this matter was last before the Council, H.E. has met the U.O. officials and has discussed the details with them. The information asked for by them was supplied, and is embodied in this introduction of the resolution. It is hoped that any doubts they may have entertained concerning

SEVEN NEW BILLS
INTRODUCED.ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND
SWEETSTAKES LAW.PAWNBROKERS AND
INSURANCE.

(Continued from Page 10.)

Seven new bills were introduced by the Hon. Attorney General at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday, each of which passed its first reading. Another bill relating to the regulation of the employment of pilots passed its second and third readings. Full details of the bills together with the Attorney General's observations are given below.

Gambling Bill.

A Bill to amend the gambling Ordinance passed its first reading. The Attorney General in proposing the Bill said:—

The object of this Bill is to permit club sweepstakes on horse and pony races provided they are conducted with the approval of the Police.

The Ordinance of 1891 like many prohibition ordinances is being honoured by the breach rather than the observance by many people who are otherwise considered as law abiding, and as long as these sweeps are small there is no reason why Government should interfere, but in recent years they have reached such proportions that interference and restriction by the Government are necessary. In some clubs I understand like the Shanghai Race Club the sale of race tickets has been abolished. This Ordinance will permit the sale of tickets to people attending race meetings, thus giving those attending race meetings the privileges of buying tickets from the club organizing the sweepstakes, which would otherwise be confined to members. The sale of tickets generally is to be discouraged. There have been many instances in this Colony and elsewhere of rival claimants to a winning ticket, and there has been one case at least in which there has been no claimant to the winning ticket, so that the Club got the benefit both of its percentage and the money which should otherwise have been distributed to subscribers.

Pawnbrowsers' Bill.

The Attorney General then proposed a Bill to amend the law relating to pawnbrokers. He said: "This is a consultation Ordinance, and it revises and amends the principal Ordinance which has been on the statute book ever since 1860. It is explained very fully in the objects and reasons and conforms generally to the English law on the

subject. I would like to draw attention to sub-section 3, section 24, which provides that the pawnbroker will not be responsible for damage caused by fire, rats, insects and other causes not directly under his control. The reason why this has been added to the Ordinance is because I am informed by the Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs that such a clause is conventional in Chinese pawn tickets, and the Chinese community would prefer that some such provision should be legalised. Of course, somebody must be responsible for damage done by fire, rats and insects, and apparently the Chinese say that the duty of insurance should fall upon the owner rather than upon pawnbrokers.

The Bill was duly seconded and passed its first reading.

Criminal Procedure.

A Bill to amend the Criminal Procedure Ordinance, 1886, was proposed by the Attorney General and duly passed its first reading. In bringing the bill forward the Attorney General said: "This bill amends the principal Ordinance in a number of ways. It abolishes the Criminal Justice Act of 1925—the presumption of coercion in cases where the husband and wife are charged together."

Public Health Ordinance.

A Bill to amend the Public Health and Building Ordinance, 1903, was introduced by the Attorney General and passed its first reading. In moving its adoption the Attorney General said: The object of this bill is two-fold, first to relieve the Hon. Director of Medical and Sanitary Services of his duties as a member of the Sanitary Board, and to restore to that Board the Medical Officer of Health who was a member until last year, and, secondly, Sir, to improve the regulations as to construction of staircases, as it is hoped that they will be rendered less liable to fire.

Life Insurance Bill.

A Bill to amend the Life Insurance Ordinance passed its first reading. The Attorney General, in proposing the Bill said:—

The object of this Ordinance is to give perpetual succession to the Registrar of Companies so that deposits may be dealt with by his successor or by a person acting for him.

Fire and Marine Insurance.

A Bill to amend the Fire and Marine Insurance Companies Deposit Ordinance, 1917, also passed its first reading.

The Attorney General said that the object of this Bill was exactly the same as the preceding one.

Colonial Treasurer Incorporated.

A Bill to incorporate the Colonial Treasurer also passed its first reading. In proposing the Bill, the Attorney General said: "This Bill makes it easier for the Government to deal with securities which are vested in the hands of the Government as securities for loans such as the recent trade loan."

Regulation of Pilots.

A Bill to provide for and regulate the employment of pilots passed its second and third readings.

GARRISON SCHOOL
AQUATIC SPORTS.G.O.C.'S BADGES FOR
"GOOD LOSERS."

A large crowd of interested spectators was present at the V.R.C. Bath yesterday when the annual aquatic sports of the Garrison School were held.

Great interest in the swimming was shown by the youngsters and in some of the events, the winners had to go all out before taking the honours.

At the conclusion of the meet, Captain Denkin, in a short speech, thanked all those present for their attendance. He mentioned that Major-General Sandilands has decided to give badges for "good losers." They were to be put on their swimming costumes.

Major-General Sandilands then distributed the prizes.

The following are the results:—

Girls' Handicap (10 to 12 girls) two lengths:—1, V. Mongton; 2, E. Sinslam.

Girls' Handicap (8 to 10 years) one length:—1, D. Trevelyan; 2, P. Scouler.

Boys' Handicap (8 to 10 years):—One length: 1, D. Naylor; 2, J. Haslam.

Diving (boys). Cup presented by Major-General Luard:—1, J. Ursall; 2, R. Gascoigne.

Diving (girls). Cup presented by 1st Battalion The Somerset Light Infantry:—1, F. Haslam; 2, P. George.

Boys' 100 yards Championship:—1, A. Leigh; 2, I. Reid.

Girls' 100 yards Championship. (Cup presented by Lady Fowler):—1, P. George; 2, W. George.

Boys' 100 yards Championship. (Cup presented by Major-General Sir John Fowler):—1, A. Leigh; 2, I. Reid.

Novices' Race (under 9 years). One length:—1, M. Williams; 2, D. Atkinson.

Novices' Race (over 9 years):—1, A. Scouler; 2, J. Scouler.

Boys' Handicap (10 to 12 years). Two lengths:—1, A. Leigh; 2, R. Gascoigne.

Boys' Handicap (8 to 10 years). One length:—1, D. Ribbands; 2, C. Haslam.

Old Scholars' Handicap. Three lengths:—1, Miss Doris Hunt; 2, R. Wood.

Boys' Handicap (over 12 years). Three lengths:—1, J. Ursall; 2, R. Gascoigne.

Girls' Handicap (over 12 years). Three lengths:—1, I. Brace; 2, M. Chummitt.

After the distribution of prizes, Major-General Sandilands said that the day was a sad one because it was the last time that the sports would take place in the sports. He hoped that they would remember Hong Kong, especially in swimming, and he wished them success in other stations.

LADIES' GOLF.

BOGEY COMPETITION RESULT.

Mrs. A. C. Langston qualified for the Captain's Cup for September with 96-17-78.

Mrs. A. B. Stewart won the Bogey Competition for August and September, four up on Bogey.

The Tombstone Competition held at Deep Water Bay on September 23 was won by Mrs. J. W. C. Bonnar who took her last stroke at the 10th tee. Mrs. A. B. Stewart holed at the 18th and was second. Mrs. Dodwell won the Bridge Prize.

The annual general meeting of the Ladies' Section will be held sometime this month at the Helena May Institute, and it is earnestly requested that all members will make an effort to attend.

With our transitory population it becomes increasingly difficult each year to appoint officers, and any ladies who are willing to serve on the committee are urged to send in their names to the present hon. secretary, or to write them on the notices posted in the various club houses.

LADIES' GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

MOLLY GOULAY BEATEN IN FIFTH ROUND.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Oct. 1. At Aldeburgh to-day, in the fifth round, of the English Ladies' Golf Championship, Miss Molly Goulay, the holder, was eliminated by Miss Wanda Morgan, who has also been very prominent in ladies' golf in recent years.

At the end of eighteen holes, Miss Goulay and Miss Morgan were all square, but Miss Morgan won on the nineteenth.

Wanda Morgan Defeated.

In the sixth round of the English ladies' golf championship, Miss Enid Wilson defeated Miss Wanda Morgan by 8 and 2.

LOCAL PING PONG.

CHINESE ATHLETIC SENIOR
CHAMPIONS.

The Senior Ping Pong League has now been concluded, with the Chinese A.A. as champions and the South China A.A. runners-up. The final positions of the teams are:—

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Chinese A.A.	5	5	0	5
South China A.A.	5	4	1	4
Saiwan College	5	3	2	3
Hip Wah A.A.	5	2	3	2
Hip Keung A.A.	5	1	4	1
Eastern A.A.	5	0	5	0

The Junior League opens this evening. Sixteen teams have entered.

Singles' Results.

Playing in the Singles' Tourney, Lai Pui Lum beat Chan Chu Yut by 3 sets to love, Chang Sum Chuen beat Chan Yuet, Fat 3 to 1, and Lung Foong Sang received a walk-over from Chan Ying Ding.

In the Ladies' Division, Mrs. K. Gonzalez won easily over Miss Yu Hung Kwan by three straight sets.

LAWN TENNIS.

UNIVERSITY INTER-FACULTY
COMPETITION.

The following have been selected to represent the Engineers in the inter-faculty tennis tournament against the Arts, on Wednesday, October 8 at 4.30 p.m. on the Varsity Recreation ground at Pokfulam:—Y. L. Pao (Capt.), Prof. F. A. Rodmond, L. A. Silva, L. Oppenheim, P. L. Tan, K. P. Gan.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON TEAM FOR
SATURDAY.

The following will represent the Kowloon 2nd XI. v. Argyle on the home ground on Saturday, October 4 at 3 p.m.:—Angus, Penny, Hast, Hawke, Simpson, Parkinson, White, Moss, Cotton, Everest, and Bickford. Reserves: Smith, Brown.

LOCAL CRICKET.

H.K.O.C. TRIAL GAME.

The following sides have been picked for the Club trial game on Saturday, October 4, at 2 p.m. sharp:—

Mr. Pearce's XI:—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), A. H. Musson, Thoroughgood, Hsley, Beck, Reid, Planner, Mackenzie, Christian, McFarlane, Collins, Hugh Jones.

Mr. Bowker's XI:—A. G. I. Bowker (Capt.), Duckitt, Bonnar, Armstrong, Hinton, Howell, More, Etherington, Chadwick, Collins, Harris Walker, Walsh.

CRICKET NOTES.

Owing to pressure upon our space, Mr. R. Abbit's weekly article is unavoidably held over, but will appear in Saturday's issue.

ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

READERS are reminded that inquiries relating to the share market are answered on page 12 every Tuesday by "KUFAN." Letters should be sent to this office, and must be accompanied by the coupon appearing below, bearing the writer's name and address, not for publication. Letters should be addressed to "KUFAN," care of the Editor, "Hong Kong Daily Press."

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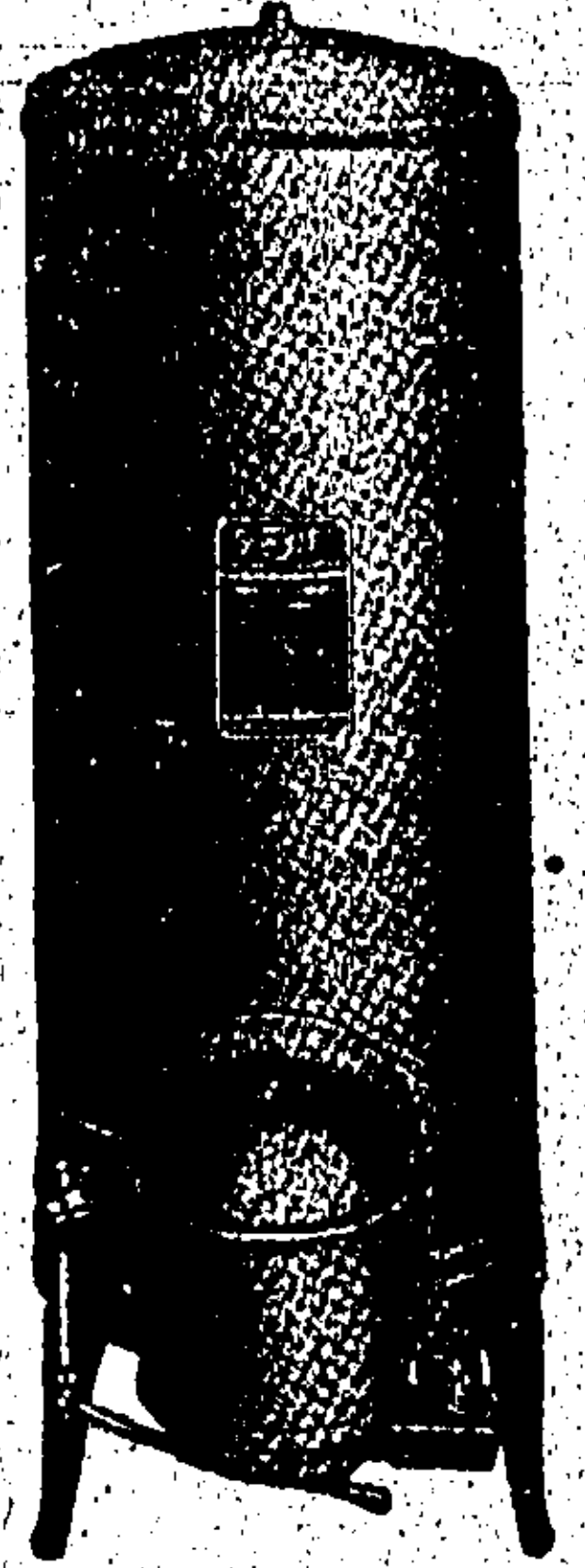
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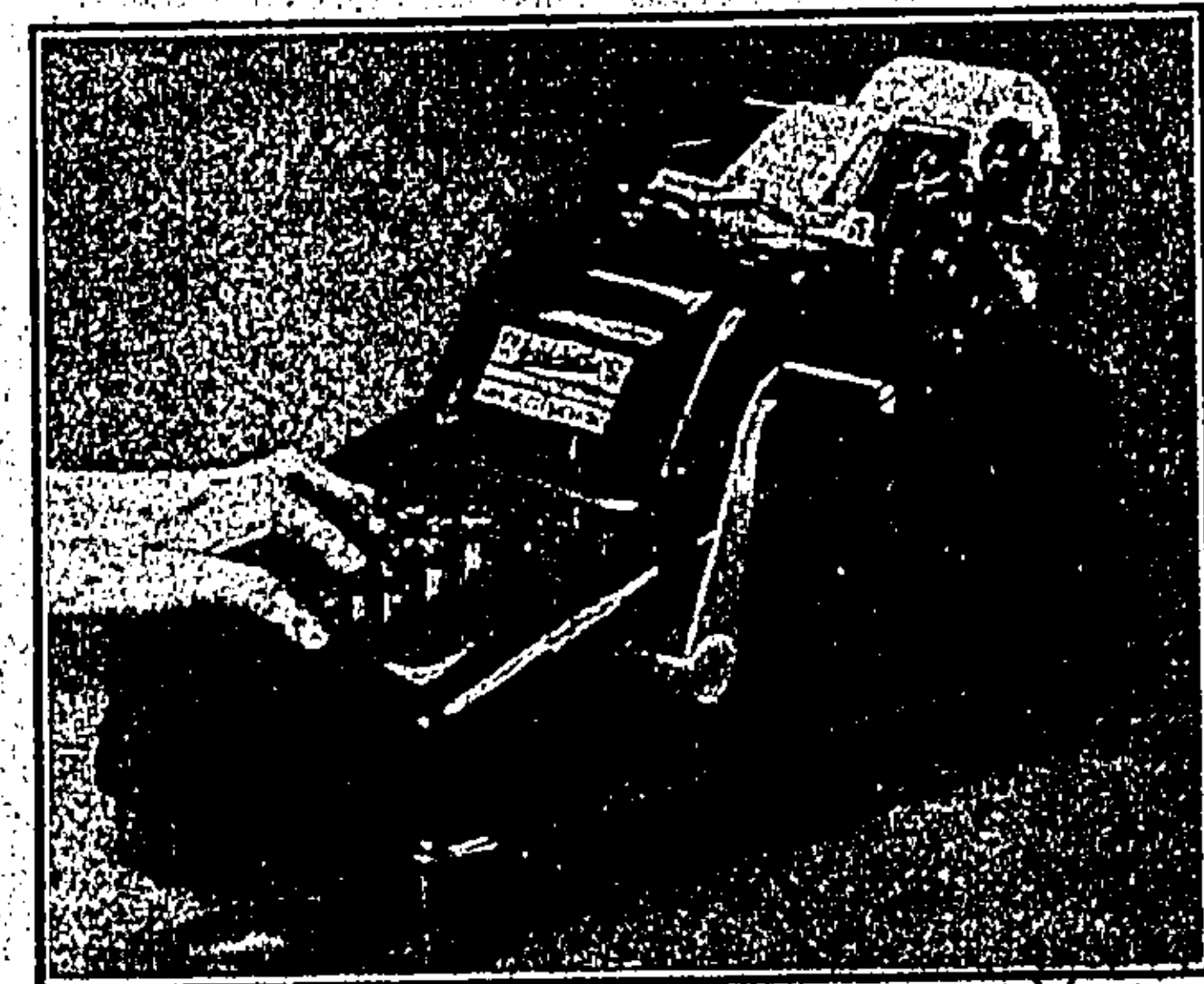
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DASTARDLY ATTACK ON MR. SIMPSON.

SHOT BY CHINESE GUNMEN IN HIS RESIDENCE.

WARNING OF ATTEMPT ON HIS LIFE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Slender Hopes for Recovery.

THENTIN, Oct. 2. The attempted assassination of Mr. Lenox Simpson, Commissioner of Customs, occurred between 9.15 and 9.30 last evening at the official residence of the Commissioner, in the former German Concession.

The victim was about ten feet away from his study door, conducting his visitors inside and was struck squarely in the small of the back by the first bullet, the second missing, probably owing to the flurry of his assailants.

The assailants then hurriedly left in the hired car they had arrived in, the servants being too terrified to raise an alarm until it was too late.

When the police arrived, Mr. Simpson was taken to the German-American Hospital, whence a bulletin was issued late last night, stating that his life was not in any immediate danger.

However, it is understood that the bullet lodged in the lower part of the spine, and complete paralysis in the lower part of the body may result.

Houseboy's Evidence.

According to the houseboy's evidence, Mr. Simpson's three assailants were all dressed in foreign clothes, and one of them remained in the car while two entered the residence, one of whom presented a card bearing the name of Fu Lu Lin, a member of the Enlarged Executive Council, which is presumed to be entirely fictitious.

On receipt of the card, Mr. Simpson came out and greeted his callers, preceding them into his study. As the houseboy was closing the door, two shots rang out, and the assailants rushed from the house into the waiting car, which rapidly drove away.

Smart Detective Work.

The police of all the Concessions were informed of the incident, and the smart work of a detective of the British police resulted in tracing the car and the arrest of the driver at a late hour last night, but the latter professed to know nothing beyond the fact that his car was summoned by telephone from the Taipei Hotel, in the Japanese Concession, and subsequently, under pressure, he said that he had merely followed the instructions of his three passengers.

Patient's Condition Not Considered Entirely Hopeless.

LATER. The bullet has been located in Mr. Simpson's spine by means of an X-ray examination and it is understood that an operation is being performed this afternoon in an endeavour to remove it.

The patient's condition, though serious, is not considered to be entirely hopeless. He is attended by several British and German doctors, and it is learned that Dr. Ferguson, of the Peiping Medical Union College, Peiping, has also been summoned.

Car Driver's Evidence.

Interrogated by the police, the arrested car driver states that he was kept at the point of a revolver from the time of his departure from the scene of the crime and made to drive along a roundabout route at the rear of the French Concession, where the three assailants alighted and ordered him to drive away.

Political Crime.

Many theories are being advanced for the crime, which was undoubtedly political, but though the attackers spoke the Fengtienese dialect, it is believed that this may merely have been a ruse to throw the police off the scent.

The movements of a fourth accomplice, who removed the baggage of all four from the hotel simultaneously with the departure of the other three for the commission of the crime, would indicate that the quartette left town immediately.

INTERNATIONAL BARTERING.

TO RELIEVE EMBARRASSING SURPLUSES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Oct. 2. The New York Times understands that the Federal officials are devoting their attention to a project for the international barter of products to relieve the embarrassing surpluses of some countries, for example, the exchange of rubber for cotton and a Japanese suggestion for the exchange of silk for cotton.

Slender Hopes for Recovery.

Mr. Simpson's condition continues relatively unchanged, and hopes are still entertained for his recovery, though on account of the seriousness of his wound there are necessarily slender.

It is learned that the bullet splintered the vertebrae, which is pressing against the spinal cord, causing paralysis of his lower limbs.

The operation for the removal of the bullet, which would be a very delicate one, has not yet been attempted.

In the meantime, the patient remains unconscious, though nobody is allowed to see him, and his sufferings are being alleviated by the administration of drugs.

It is learned that Mr. Simpson was recently warned by Chinese friends that an attempt might be made on his life, but he flouted the idea of taking precautions whatsoever for his personal safety.

Life Not in Imminent Danger.

LATER. Interviewed by Reuter this evening, one of the doctors attending Mr. Simpson, while he was inclined to be non-committal, stated that the life of the patient was not in imminent danger, at least for the present, though he admitted that the operation for the removal of the bullet might prove critical.

It appears that some of the patient's internal organs are also severely injured.

Mr. Simpson arrived from Shanghai this afternoon, and was admitted to see her husband for a short time, during which the patient conversed freely.

Mr. Simpson was unable to give any clue regarding the identity of his would-be assassins, though it is believed that he suspects from what quarter the attack was instigated.

It has now transpired that the three assailants wore Chungshan uniforms, which the houseboy mistakenly called "foreign clothes."

The police of all districts, both Chinese and foreign, are working on the case, but it is feared that the assailants got clean away.

Fictitious Card Obtains Entry of Gunmen.

Mr. Lenox Simpson was shot and seriously wounded in his own residence in Tientsin last night.

The attempted murder was carried out by three Chinese gunmen, who are alleged to have spoken the Fengtien dialect.

His attackers drove up to Mr. Simpson's residence and presented a fictitious card, asking for an interview with the recently removed Customs Commissioner.

Two Shots Fired.

He was escorting them to his study when one of the gunmen drew a pistol and fired twice at him.

One of the bullets penetrated the spinal column, the second missing.

The gunmen escaped unmolested from the premises, driving away swiftly in a car which was awaiting their return in the street.

Car Captured.

The servants had noted the number of the car and informed the police, who soon afterwards captured the car with the driver.

It was discovered, however, that the driver was employed by a garage and had been hired by the gunmen, who had left the vehicle previously to its capture.

The police making efforts to trace the assassins, learned that four men registered yesterday afternoon at a Japanese hotel, three of them hiring the car, which went to Mr. Lenox Simpson's residence, while the fourth took their baggage by rickshaw elsewhere.

It is stated that the men spoke a Fengtien dialect.

The gunmen are still at liberty.

BRITISH TEXTILE COUNCIL.

UNFAIR COMPETITION IN HOME MARKET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Oct. 1. A special meeting called to-day by the National Union of Manufacturers and held at Manchester elected Sir Amos Nelson, head of the well-known firm of cotton manufacturers, as chairman, and other officers, as the nucleus of a new Textile Council.

The new Council will work with the Government to secure protection of the Lancashire textile industry against unfair competition in the home market.

JAPAN AND KOREA RICE CROPS.

GREATER THAN FIGURES FOR LAST YEAR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Oct. 2. The Ministry of Agriculture's first estimate of the 1930 rice crop in Japan is that it will approximate 311,625,000 bushels, being 34,700,000 bushels greater than the crop in 1929, while the Korean crop is estimated to approximate 95,708,000 bushels, or 25,000,000 more than last year.

THE FALL IN SILVER.

A CAUSE OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

In the universal search for the cause of unemployment Mr. David Landale, in a letter to the *The Times*, wonders whether sufficient consideration has been given to the present position of silver. Silver is very closely connected with the purchasing power of more than one-half of the human race, and the protection of the value of this metal is in consequence of extreme importance to this country.

"Some years ago," Mr. Landale says, "it was decided to reduce the silver content of our subsidiary coinage to one-half, and that started the recent depreciation in the value of silver. France, in following suit, discarded her silver coinage altogether and threw a large quantity of silver on the market to be sold at any price. The Indian Government decided to get rid of their stock of silver in their currency reserve. French Indo-China threw over silver and shipped their stock of dollars to Shanghai. The Dutch are reported to be about to follow suit. As far as this country is concerned, the gain by reducing the silver content of our subsidiary coinage cannot have amounted to very much, and surely is no compensation for the loss now being incurred through the unemployment which the fall in the price of silver has caused."

India's Loss.

"By continuing to sell at the present low quotations those responsible in India must entail an enormous loss upon both the Indian Government and the people of India. The value of the Indian Government's silver reserve has been halved, and the saving of the Indian people, so far as they are represented by silver and silver ornaments, have been reduced by one-half. In consequence of all this, the buying power of countries such as India and China has been very greatly impaired, with the result that unemployment in the manufacturing districts, particularly of Lancashire and the Midlands, of this country has been largely increased."

A Grave Mistake.

"There is no doubt that a very grave mistake has been made, probably on the advice of theoretical gentlemen with no practical experience, who should have been controlled by some central authority."

Pointing out that the foregoing is of lively interest, Mr. S. F. Goddard writes:—

"The bad state of the world's trade, adverse exchanges, unemployment, unrest and revolutionary action in countries whose economic position is poor can be definitely associated with the fall in silver. Its fall is mainly due to its having been discarded as a standard currency metal by nations that would seem to have been short-sighted. Something not very obvious to the 'man in the street' is clogging trade, bringing in its train many of the evils from which we are all suffering in great or less degree. I venture to suggest that this clogging element is largely the single gold standard dictated to us by bankers and theoretical gentlemen with no practical experience of gold-mining and the further capacity of the known goldfields to produce the needed metal. In the absence of the discovery of some new big source of gold in the very near future the commercial world would seem to be heading for such a bankrupt tangle that all the 'cures' of free trade or protection, Empire building, etc., will not get us out of."

Disonest Politicians.

"The argument that is always advanced against the use of silver as a joint standard with gold is that it is too plentiful supply. This is extremely doubtful in the face of the gold shortage and the world's need of currencies better and sounder than printed paper. Too much use by hard-up Governments and dishonest politicians is made of paper currencies, which are unsound, with little behind them, but vague promises to pay on demand in gold. Unbacked paper currencies and short-dated debts are both apt to beget and multiply by their kind, as with unemployment, and the result is a vicious circle, but in a measure avoidable if some recognition and monetization of silver were adopted."

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

LONDON.

Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Oct. 5.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Oct. 10.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.

ANTWERP.

Haiching, Douglas, Oct. 3.
Antung, B. & S., Oct. 5.
Hainan, Douglas, Oct. 7.
Tientsin, B. & S., Oct. 8.
Hainan, Douglas, Oct. 10.
Tientsin, J.C.J.L., Oct. 10.
Anhui, B. & S., Oct. 12.
Tientsin, J.C.J.L., Oct. 12.
Kulsang, Jardine's, Oct. 18.
Talamba, B.I., Oct. 22.
Tientsin, J.C.J.L., Oct. 25.
Hosang, Jardine's, Oct. 29.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

St. Albans, E. & A., Oct. 3, 4 p.m.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 21.
Change, B. & S., Oct. 21.
Malolo, Robt. Dollar, Oct. 23.
Nellore, E. & A., Oct. 31.

BALTO PORTS.

Malaya, Manners, Oct. 26.

BALTIMORE.

City of Chester, Bank, Oct. 7.
Agapenor, B.F., Oct. 17.
Taybank, Bank, Nov. 1.

SANGKOE.

Kiangsu, B. & S., Oct. 6.
Kaying, B. & S., Oct. 12.
Malolo, Robt. Dollar, Oct. 23.

BELAWAN-DELI.

Cremer, J.C.J.L., Oct. 5.

SOMBAY.

Venezia, Dodwell's, Oct. 8.
Malwa, P. & O., Oct. 11.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 11.
Mirzapore, P. & O., Oct. 15.
Tevere, Dodwell's, Oct. 18.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 27.
Macedonia, P. & O., Nov. 3.

SOSTON.

Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Oct. 5.
City of Chester, Bank, Oct. 7.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 7.
Agapenor, B.F., Oct. 17.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 17.
Tao Yang, Dodwell's, Oct. 19.
Tao Yang, Dodwell's, Oct. 19.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Oct. 21.
Taybank, Bank, Nov. 1.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.
Javanese Prince, Furness, Nov. 4.

BREMEN.

Iar, Melchers, Oct. 6/7.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Oct. 18.
Aller, Melchers, Nov. 1.

BRINDISI.

Venezia, Dodwell's, Oct. 8.
Tevere, Dodwell's, Oct. 18.

CALCUTTA.

Takada, B.I., Oct. 3, 3.30 p.m.
Muroan Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 8.
Kulsang, Jardine's, Oct. 9.
Suisang, Jardine's, Oct. 13.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 15.
Tilawa, B.I., Oct. 23.
Namsang, Jardine's, Oct. 25.
Rangoon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 29.

CASABLANCA.

Calchas, B.F., Oct. 14.
Khyber, P. & O., Oct. 25.

CEBU.

Agapenor, B.F., Oct. 17.

CHEFOO.

Huichow, B. & S., Oct. 10.

COLOMBO.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 4.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Oct. 5.
Venezia, Dodwell's, Oct. 8.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 11.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 12.
Andre Lebon, M.M., Oct. 14.
Mirzapore, P. & O., Oct. 15.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 18.
Tevere, Dodwell's, Oct. 18.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Oct. 19.
Khyber, P. & O., Oct. 25.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 27.
Portos, M.M., Oct. 28.
Antenor, B.F., Oct. 29.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.

COPENHAGEN.

Malaya, Manners, Oct. 26.

DALNY.

Linan, B. & S., Oct. 5.
Malwa, P. & O., Oct. 11.
Rector, B.F., Oct. 18.

DUTCH PORTS.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 4.
Iar, Melchers, Oct. 6/7.
Fresno Star, Dodwell's, Oct. 8.
City of Mobile, Bank, Oct. 9.
Leverkusen, J.C.J.L., Oct. 11.
Calchas, B.F., Oct. 14.
Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, Oct. 17.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 18.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Oct. 18.
Khyber, P. & O., Oct. 25.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 27.
Antenor, B.F., Oct. 29.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.

HONG KONG.

Haiching, Douglas, Oct. 3.
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City of Mobile, Bank, Oct. 9.
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Kiangchow, B. & S., Oct. 5.

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Matsuyama Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 6.
Nellore, E. & A., Oct. 6, 5 p.m.
Wakasa Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 6.
Hilda, Dodwell's, Oct. 7.
Tevere, Dodwell's, Oct. 7.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 7.
Namsang, Jardine's, Oct. 8.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 9.
Ixion, B.F., Oct. 9.
Mores, P. & O., Oct. 10.
Kulsang, Jardine's, Oct. 10.
Diomed, B.F., Oct. 12.
Kulmerland, J.C.J.L., Oct. 12.
Pembroke, Jardine's, Oct. 12.
Chenonceaux, M.M., Oct. 13.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Oct. 15.
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MANILA.

St. Albans, E. & A., Oct. 3, 4 p.m.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Oct. 5.
City of Chester, Bank, Oct. 7.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Oct. 7.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Oct. 7.
Tjondari, J.C.J.L., Oct. 14.
Agapenor, B.F., Oct. 17.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, Oct. 18.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Oct. 19.
Aki Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 21.
Change, B. & S., Oct. 21.
Pres. Lincoln, Dollar, Oct. 21.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Oct. 22.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, Oct. 22.
Malolo, Robt. Dollar, Oct. 23.
Tjondari, J.C.J.L., Oct. 23.
Nellore, E. & A., Oct. 31.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.

MARSEILLES.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 4.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Oct. 5.
Iar, Melchers, Oct. 6/7.
Fresno Star, Dodwell's, Oct. 8.
Malwa, P. & O., Oct. 11.
Andre Lebon, M.M., Oct. 14.
Calchas, B.F., Oct. 14.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 14.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 18.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Oct. 19.
Khyber, P. & O., Oct. 25.
Malaya, Manners, Oct. 26.
Antenor, B.F., Oct. 29.
Aller, Melchers, Nov. 1.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.
Macedonia, P. & O., Nov. 3.

NAPLES.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 4.
Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Oct. 5.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 18.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Oct. 19.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Oct. 21.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.
Javanese Prince, Furness, Nov. 4.

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Pres. Johnson, Dollar, Oct. 5.
City of Chester, Bank, Oct. 7.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 7.
Agapenor, B.F., Oct. 17.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 17.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Oct. 19.
Tao Yang, Dodwell's, Oct. 19.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Oct. 21.
Taybank, Bank, Nov. 1.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, Nov. 2.
Javanese Prince, Furness, Nov. 4.

NEWORLEANS.

Linan, B. & S., Oct. 5.

NORTH CHINA PORTS.

Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 7.
Hector, B.F., Oct. 18.
Coblenz, Melchers, Oct. 23.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 23.

PANAMA.

Toba Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 7.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 17.
Tao Yang, Dodwell's, Oct. 19.

PENANG.

Takada, B.I., Oct. 3, 3.30 p.m.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Oct. 4.
Pres. Johnson

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HOIHOW	"KIANGSU" ... On 6th Oct. Noon
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"SZECHUEN" ... On 7th Oct. 11 a.m.
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AMOI & SHANGHAI	"HUICHOW" ... On 10th Oct. 10 a.m.
CHIFOO & TIENTSIN	"KINGYUAN" ... On 10th Oct. 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"ANHUI" ... On 13th Oct. 6 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KAYING" ... On 13th Oct. Noon
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STATION	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Wind	Direction	Force	Clouds	Humidity	Visibility	State of Sky	Time	Remarks
Wladivostok	12 29.89	75.2	61	SE	3	o	6	20.73	75.2	54	N
Nemuro	11 29.94	76.5	...	E	2	o	5	20.10	76.5	...	SSE
Hokodate	10 29.98	75.1	...	0	0	...	...	28.92	76.0	...	SE
Kochi	9 29.96	76.1	...	ESE	1	...	...	29.90	75.9	...	N
Kobe	8 29.90	75.8	...	0	0	...	...	29.80	75.7	...	NW
Nagasaki	7 29.78	75.5	...	SE	4	...	...	29.80	75.7	...	NW
Kagoshima	6 29.84	75.0	...	0	0	...	...	29.78	76.0	...	N
Oshima	5 29.80	75.7	...	SSE	1	...	...	29.78	76.5	...	NW
Naha	4 29.80	75.7	...	SSE	2	...	...	29.84	75.8	...	NNW
Ishigakijima	3 29.50	75.7	...	SW	1	...	...	29.88	75.9	...	NE
Bonin Island	2 29.68	75.2	...	NE	2	...	...	...	...	...	NNW
Chifoo	15 29.80	75.9	60	W	6	b	6	30.06	75.5	54	NNW
Shanghai	14 29.87	75.7	76	NNW	4	o	6	30.12	76.4	52	NNW
Guzhou	13 29.88	75.8	74	NNW	4	o	6	30.10	76.5	65	NNW
Wenchow	12 29.88	75.7	77	N	2	o	6	30.12	76.7	73	N
Foochow	11 29.78	75.4	78	ESE	4	r	7	29.84	75.9	74	NE
Amoy	10 29.68	75.1	83	SW	3	o	6	29.82	75.2	74	NNW
Swatow	9 29.65	75.1	92	SW	1	b	5	29.85	75.0	72	E
Taihou	8 29.79	75.6	86	N	4	bc	5	29.88	75.9	70	N
Taiwan	7 29.83	75.7	91	SSW	2	b	...	29.78	75.3	79	...
Koshan	6 29.88	75.7	81	NNW	2	b	...	29.85	75.2	79	...
Pescadore	5 29.79	75.6	86	WSW	4	bc	...	29.87	75.8	77	NE
Hong Kong	4 29.82	75.7	86	WSW	2	b	...	29.80	75.4	76	N
Gap Rock	3 29.77	75.6	91	SW	3	c	6	29.80	75.4	81	NNW
Macao	2 29.76	75.6	91	SW	2	b	...	29.85	75.2	74	N
Hoihow	1 29.75	75.5	89	SW	1	b	...	29.88	75.1	78	N
Pratas Island	0 29.75	75.7	88	NNW	2	o	...	29.88	75.9	81	NNW
Phulien	15 29.78	75.3	74	NNW	4	r	7	29.95	76.0	72	NE
Tourane	14 29.78	75.3	86	ESE	4	bc	...	29.85	75.3	77	SW
Cape St. James	13 29.78	75.3	88	E	2	t	...	29.88	75.8	77	ESE
Baco	12 29.80	75.7	88	W	4	bc	6	29.81	75.7	81	NNW
Apurri	11 29.73	75.5	91	NNE	4	b	...	29.84	75.7	77	N
Tuguegarao	10 29.71	75.4	84	N	0	bc	...	29.83	75.7	79	N
Vigan	9 29.73	75.5	91	WSW	4	b	...	29.85	75.7	77	N
Manila	8 29.74	75.5	85	SW	2	b	...	29.88	75.7	76	NNW
Cebu	7 29.73	75.5	91	SW	4	bc	...	29.86	75.8	76	NNW
Calcutta	6 29.72	75.5	89	SE	2	t	...	29.86	75.8	79	N
Colombo	5 29.74	75.5	89	SW	4	bc	...	29.86	75.8	77	N
Surigao	4 29.72	75.5	83	N	0	bc	...	29.84	75.9	79	N
Sulpan	3 11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.82	75.4	78	S
Guam	2 12.22	30.76	75.5	SW	2	r	4.22	29.80	75.7	0	S
Yap	1 11.00	29.79	75.6	SW	4	c	5	29.86	75.4	...	SSW
Polow	0 29.89	75.9	77	N	...	...	...	29.89	75.1	77	N
Labuan	14 29.80	75.6	88	W	4	bc	6	29.83	75.7	76	N

October 22. 10A. 35m.—The depressions to the N.E. of Hong Kong has filled up. The depression to the N.E. of Shanghai has moved to the S.W. of Wladivostok.

A anticyclone has formed over China.
 Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 1927-28, 19.47 inches, against an average of 78.16 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON OCTOBER 3.

District.	Forecast.
1.—Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, strong.
2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamooka	N. winds, fresh; line.
3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock	N. winds, fresh; line.
4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan	N. winds, fresh; line.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, October 2.

Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Clouds	Humidity	Visibility	State of Sky	Time	Remarks
29.77	29.98	29.93	85	81	79	89	61	61	...	...	...

Highest open-air Temperature, 1:18

Lowest open-air Temperature, 21:76

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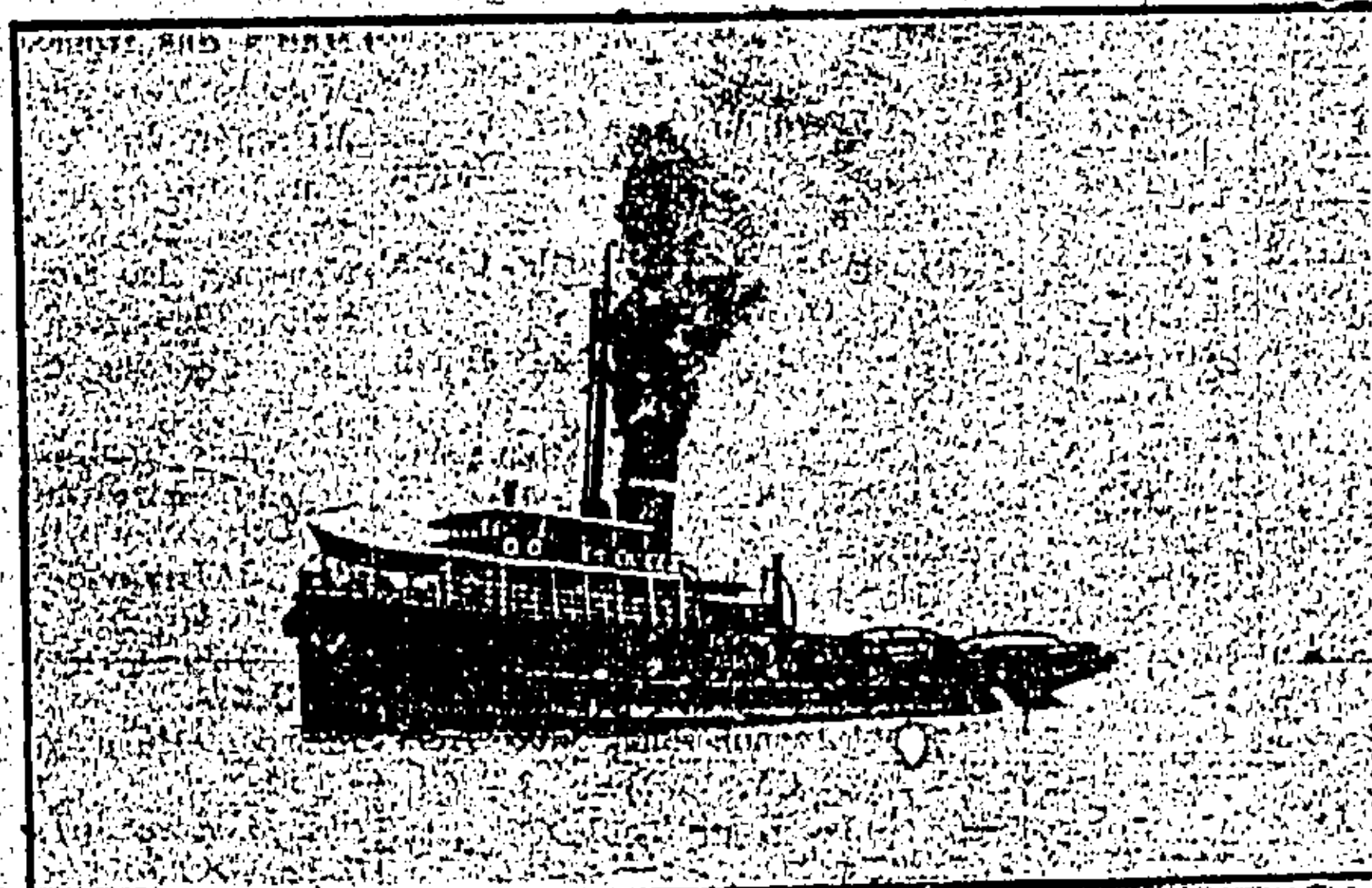
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALOUTTA	"KUMSANG" ... "SUISANG" ... "NAMSANG"	Thurs. 9th Oct. at 3 p.m. Mon. 13th Oct. at 3 p.m. Sat. 21st Oct. at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI	"NAMSANG"	Wed. 8th Oct. at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, SHAL & KOBE	"KUTSANG" ... "HOSANG"	Satur. 18th Oct. at 7 a.m. Wed. 20th Oct. at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"HAUSANG" ... "HINSANG"	Wed. 9th Oct. at Noon Wed. 22nd Oct. at Noon
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